



Jim Murray

April 12, 1977 - May 18, 2025

James "Jim" Robert Murray passed away suddenly but peacefully in his sleep May 18th, 2025.

Jim was a devoted husband to his loving wife, Caroline (nee Kollar) Murray and the family they created with their cats, Ghost and Davos. Jim was a proud graduate of St. Joseph's High School. Jim was whip smart and loved history, Star Wars, movies of any kind, music, trivia, board games, baseball hats, and the Sox (although the 2024 season tested him). He loved getting the answers right in the nightly viewing of Jeopardy but never failed to give out fist bumps when his wife bested him on an answer. He was funny and snarky and loved a good inside joke. He was kind - he always kept a five in his pocket in case he ran into someone who asked him. He was gentle. He loved deeply and loyally. He was someone you wanted to know; he would make you laugh and then when you got home, you get the second layer of the joke and laugh all over again. He was aces at setting up Christmas trees, hanging pictures with actual math, knowing geography in his head, and knowing every answer to every arcane baseball question. He loved his brothers tremendously and cherished the bond between them all. He was never happier and chattier after a conversation with them. And lastly, Jim's grin would light up a room. He was a wonderful and delightful human being.

Jim is survived by his brothers, JP (Karla) Murray and Dan(Diane) Murray, Jim and Noreen Murray, his childhood family Rory (Victoria), James Cameron, and Caitlin (Jackson), nieces McKenna (Tom), Mary, Nora, Margie, Darlene,

Josephine, Rose, Brigid, Irene, and Lucia and nephews Charlie, Tommy, Pdraig, and Kevin. He is so loved and will be sorely missed. Celebration of his life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to catcade.org. Jim loved his kittens and he loved helping the helpless in harm.

"It's times like these you learn to live again. It's times like these you give and give again. It's times like these you learn to love again. It's times like these time and time again."

Foo Fighters

Tribute Wall

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“ I got the privilege of working with Jim at the Shedd Aquarium. I enjoyed talking history and baseball with him. He was a kind, gentle, wonderful man. Our paths crossed briefly, and I'm happy it did. My sincere condolences.

Doug Noyes

Doug Noyes - May 29, 2025 at 07:48 PM

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Thank you. He talked about you at home several times. He loved working at the Shedd so much.

Caroline Murray - June 01, 2025 at 05:48 PM

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“ *Caroline, I am so sorry. Please know we are all thinking of and praying for you in this difficult time and love you very much.*



Amy Brock - May 22, 2025 at 11:57 PM

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“ *I made a donation to Catcade in memory of Jim. My condolences to Caroline and to the Kollar and Murray families. May he rest in peace.*

Ann Zimmerman - May 22, 2025 at 04:21 PM