



James Hershal Arnott

December 8, 1942 - May 15, 2024

James Hershal "Jim" Arnott, 81, of 601 Riverview Drive, Altavista died Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at home. He was the husband of the late Phyllis Witzky Arnott.

He was born December 8, 1942 in Newport News, a son of the late Paul Hershal Arnott and Ethel Collins Arnott. He was a member of New Prospect Baptist Church and a retired employee of BGF Industries, Inc. James enjoyed biking and shooting and was a member of the Blue Ridge Miata Club and the NRA.

He is survived by one sister, Mary Ellen Arnott Tant and her husband, John of Altavista; and special friends, Paul and Nancy David of Rustburg, Bud and Martha Brown of Hurt, and Paul Smith of Hurt.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Joy Lynn Arnott.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at New Prospect Baptist Church by the Rev. Brady Willis with interment to follow in Altavista Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m., Monday at Finch & Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider New Prospect Baptist Church, 509 Prospect Road, Hurt, Virginia 24563.

Cemetery Details

Altavista Memorial Park

642 Wards Road
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Altavista
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Funeral Service

MAY 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

New Prospect Baptist Church
509 Prospect Rd.
Hurt, VA 24563

Tribute Wall

GS

“ Gregory Slominski lit a candle in memory of James Arnott



Gregory Slominski - June 03, 2024 at 01:55 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Funeral Service



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - May 22, 2024 at 01:55 PM

TG

“ Jim, you will truly be missed by the GOGGINS family. You were one of us...we enjoyed you so much at our family functions and visits. We made sure to put a SMILE on your face. The good news is that you will not speak about getting tired after mowing your grass or after your bike rides because in heaven there's no such thing you will live ETERNITY!!!!



Tomaka Goggins - May 21, 2024 at 05:36 PM

CA

“ I was so saddened to hear about your loss of Jim. We had gotten to know each other well, and we always looked forward to him coming in to pay his insurance. He was always picking on us, and we back at him. He was a very pleasant and humble friend that will be missed.

Chris Anderson - May 21, 2024 at 01:05 PM

SO

“ Jimmy and I both worked at the mill for appx. 40 years. He will be missed. See you on the other side.
Emory Osborne

SANDRA OSBORNE - May 21, 2024 at 10:22 AM

JS

“ Sending love and deepest sympathy to Jimmy's family with his passing. I always enjoyed seeing him at the park either when he was hiking or biking. Such a sweet, kind man. May God give you peace and comfort with your loss.

jeannie Smith - May 20, 2024 at 12:41 PM

MM

“ Mary Ellen and family, please accept my sincere condolences. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Jimmy will be missed.



Mary Moses-Hicks - May 18, 2024 at 05:37 PM

MC

“ *I worked with Jimmy for years he was the sweetest person. Rest in peace my dear friend!* ”

Madeline Clark - May 18, 2024 at 01:30 PM

AM

“ *So sorry to hear of Jimmy's passing will truly miss seeing him out riding his bike and catching up on conversation.* ”



Alice mattox - May 17, 2024 at 09:34 PM

DL

“ *Doris Lukin lit a candle in memory of James Hershhal Arnott* ”



Doris Lukin - May 17, 2024 at 06:14 PM

TH

“ *Tammie J. Hodges lit a candle in memory of James Hershhal Arnott* ”



Tammie J. Hodges - May 17, 2024 at 04:00 PM

JW

“ We were so sorry to learn of Jimmy’s passing. We enjoyed seeing and talking to him on our walks at English Park. He was always so pleasant and upbeat. Our sincere condolences to his entire family.
Ken and Joan Woodson



Joan Woodson - May 17, 2024 at 11:09 AM



“ Jimmy was a long time friend and Church family member. We always had a good time picking on each other. He was always fun to be around and he will be missed. He has joined his Beloved Phyllis on the shores of Heaven. Rest in peace Brother..Prayers of comfort for his Sister and other Family members.



Ralph Woods - May 17, 2024 at 08:53 AM

GC

“ To The Family and Friends,

My Thoughts and Prayers are with you.
Jimmy, Rest High on That Mountain.

Glenna W. Carr



Glenna W Carr - May 16, 2024 at 10:09 PM

GS

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Jimmy. He was one of our Altavista 1961 classmates. Thoughts and prayers for the family.

Gloria M Shelton - May 16, 2024 at 09:41 PM

RC

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Jimmy for along time.He was quiet,funny,sincere and his Faith was very strong.I know he will be missed by so many who knew him and by his family that he loved dearly.My thoughts and prayers to the family.



Ray and Kay Caldwell - May 16, 2024 at 07:06 PM

RH

“ Mary Ellen, I'm so sorry to hear of the death of your brother Jimmy. He was such a good brother and husband and I always enjoyed talking with him and crossing paths in English Park. May God bring you comfort.----Rev. Ben Horrocks

Reverend Ben Horrocks - May 16, 2024 at 05:13 PM

BB

“ Jimmy was a friend, classmate, coworker and Christian Brother. He and Phyllis wee friends of our family for many years . We will miss him , may he R.I.P. .

Bud Brown - May 16, 2024 at 01:40 PM

VC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Thoughts and Prayers to the Arnott family.



Vicky Creasy - May 16, 2024 at 12:45 PM