



James "Jim" Hannaford

December 8, 1943 - July 20, 2012

Funeral services for Jim Hannaford will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 24, 2012, at the Marshall Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Aaron Wagner, pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church officiating. Interment will be in the Alva Municipal Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Jim, Hannaford, 68, a loving husband, father, papa, brother, and friend passed away Friday, July 20, 2012. He was born December 8, 1943, in Cherokee, Oklahoma to Wayne and Tillie Hannaford.

Jim moved to Alva as a child, graduated from Alva High School, and attended Northwestern State College. Jim was united in marriage to the woman he adored, Diane Felton, in April, 1965. They had two children, Kristye and Bo. Jim was a local businessman in Alva. Jim was very active in the Alva Jaycees and won numerous awards at the state and national levels.

Jim will be remembered as a wonderful photographer and life long Elvis fan. He wrote several books on Elvis and some of his Elvis photos were published in Life magazine. He was also known as one of the largest dealers of Elvis memorabilia in the nation. Jim's favorite memories were spending time with his family and his annual trip with friends to his summer Elvis shows in Memphis.

Besides his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his loving wife, Diane; his brother, Roger; and his sister-in-law, Donna Lamke.

Jim and survived by his daughter Kristye Taylor and husband, Tim, of Flower Mound, Texas; his son, Bo Hannaford and wife, Tara, of Alva; his

grandchildren, Hawkens Taylor of Flower Mound, Texas, Carson Hannaford of Dewey, Oklahoma, and Tucker Hannaford of Alva; his brother, Steve Hannaford and wife, Brenda, of Alva; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law Mike and Rita Sheffield of Amarillo, Texas, a sister-in-law Clare Sheffield of Copperas Cove, Texas; a sister-in-law, Jane Gaskill of Alva; other relatives and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the John Sheffield Scholarship at the NWOSU Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ James "Jim" Hannaford

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ I remember helping him get his Elvis fan club off the ground. He was 22 years old. Lost track of him. He was very easy to get along with.

Carl - August 01, 2021 at 07:33 PM



“ I was a friend of Jim&s because we both loved Elvis for many years. I will miss his friendship. He was a terrific person, and at one time, he wanted to buy my entire Elvis collection, but I just couldn&t part with my menus from Las Vegas & Lake Tahoe. But, nevertheless, we were great friends. He is up with Jesus now, so God bless him.

Jill Alexander - July 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Since I moved back to Ponca City I have lost contact with many friends. I consider Jim as one of them. A lot of us spent a lot of time following NWOSU athletics. Jim could drive that red van with "Ride Rangers Ride" on the side of it, for hours without getting tired. When we took the airplane he never seemed nervous as a passenger. An annual event that I remember well was when one or two van loads of us would go to Dallas or Kansas City to see baseball or football games. I will miss and remember Jim.

jerry lingnau - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PC

I was shocked when I found out jim had passed. I had some get times with him his wife and 2 other friends . We would all enjoy the elvis conversations that took place in Memphis. I would love to get in touch with his wife . My number is penny choate 817 487 3093 give me a call if you can text if u can . I hope u remember me .me and tanya watson was always there .wonderful time . Love ya'll penny

Penny choate - February 07, 2020 at 03:52 AM

PC

Sorry if I missed spelled anything. Penny

Penny choate - February 07, 2020 at 03:54 AM

IM

“ Although I never met Jim, the quality of his books and photographs had a big influence on me. I am thankful he lived and I want to let his family know how far his reach was around the world. Ian Mackay in Scotland.

Ian Mackay - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ My sincere condolences to Jim&s family I attended public school here in Alva with Jim and I appreciated having him as a friend. He will be missed.

Tom Reid - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I heard about Jim while in Montana. I was saddened to hear the news. He was a classmate and friend. My sympathy goes out to the family. May God bless each of you at this time. Don Rader

Don Rader - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ I am saddened to hear of Jim&s passing. We were best friends and sat by each other in the sixth grade at Washington Elementary. The "Elvis" phenomenun broke into every body&s consciousness in 1956 while we were sixth graders. Jim was an immediate 12-year old fan which is one of my fondest memories of Jim.

Glenn Carlson - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ May the Father of tender mercies, the God of all Comfort, console the family and friends in this time of deep sorrow. My family and I send our sincere condolences. When the enemy death strikes our grief can be great. It is at times like this that we need comfort and support whether we are acquainted or not . May you find comfort in Almighty God promise of the resurrection - Acts 24:15. All of God&s promises will come true, for it is impossible for God to lie - Hebrews 6:18. Respectfully

Denise - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I am sorry to learn of Jim&s passing. May the grace of God comfort & sustain you through this dark time.

Darlene Q Monroe - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Jim was one of the "good guys" in our Elvis world. He will be sadly missed this August. Take comfort knowing he touched many people and that Jim will be remembered by Elvis fans and friends from all over.

Cathi Avenell & Tony King - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I am so sorry to hear about my dear friend Jim&s passing. I met Jim twenty years ago at the annual Elvis convention in Memphis, Tenn. He became a fast friend, and I will miss talking with him. He was a true gentleman and friend, and my deepest sympathy for all his family.
God bless you during this time of sorrow. Tanya Watson

Tanya Watson - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ I was/am sad to learn of Jim&s passing. We weren&t best friends or such, but I did spend time at Shafer Electronics on the square admiring all the latest gadgets in my youth. Seems he knew everything about each of them. He helped direct and inform me in my first ever Fisher Brand receiver amp/tuner, Fisher turntable and Fisher speakers. This was a big purchase for this 16 y/o. He always treated people with respect regardless of their place or circumstances in life. He had a lovely wife and together they raised two wonderful, now young adults. RIP Jim and we pray for your family to find comfort during this time of great sadness.

Kevin - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Jim and I were great pals in Junior High and High School. We worked as stockers and bagboys at Ideal Grocery and, when Safeway opened, we moved there together for a nickel-an-hour raise. In the evenings when business had slackened, our job was to face the shelves, that is, to move cans and packages to the fronts of the shelves so everything looked fully stocked. Jim developed the hobby of looking at the labels on the items to see where they were manufactured. When he once told me he knew where every item in the Safeway store was made, I was, to say the least, skeptical. We walked around the store together, and I picked, at random, six items from the shelves and asked him where each was made. He named the city and state correctly for all six!

Joe Melton - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NG

“ We are so saddened to hear of the loss of our good friend, Jim. Even before meeting in person in Memphis decades ago, we were pen-pals. We always enjoyed spending time with Jim and Diane. Rest in peace, dear friend. Elvis Week won't be complete without you. Our sympathy to your children.

Nancy and Jeff Graff - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ No words can express our sorrow for the loss of our dear friend Jim. Jim and I met during an Elvis show in Memphis, TN, Aug. 1978. We became instant Elvis buddies. We had good times in Memphis, Tupelo and Tunica many times. Jim had some of the best Elvis collectibles in the world. He shared his many Elvis memories with everyone. This Elvis Fan Festival in August will be dedicated to his memory! Our sincere condolences to Jim's family! He will remain in our hearts and our prayers! RIP Jim.

Fred & Rae-Lynne Whobrey - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I am sadden by the passing of my long time friend Jim, who I have known for more than 30 years. We always had a fun time in Memphis during Elvis Week and the birthday celebrations. Last year during August 2012, Jim said that could possibly be his last Elvis Week, but he would try for the 35th anniversary and end things than, as it was getting harder for him to travel. I will so miss his wonderful Christmas cards each year and he was a true gentelman in every sense of the word. God Bless you Jim ! Elvis Week 2012 will NOT be the same without you there to talk with. Love and Hugs ~ Rockin& Robin Rosaaen " All The King&s Things " San Jose, California TCB

Robin Rosaaen - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ My sympathy to the Hannaford family. I did not know Jim personally but as a life-long Elvis fan I understand how he must have enjoyed his trips to Memphis. When I am in Memphis this August for Elvis Week I will remember Jim and the other dedicated Elvis fans who have left this earth for a better place. My Sincere Condolences

Sandy Van Horn - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I worked with Jim at Love&s for a couple of years. He was one of those rare guys to work with and I enjoyed getting to know him. I&m truely sorry to hear of his passing and send my condolences to the family.

Michele Herren - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ We share in your sorrow as we keep you in our prayers.

Jerry & Wanda Cox - July 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM