



James Allen Jeckell

August 11, 1947 - November 15, 2024

James "Jim" Allen Jeckell, 77, of Woodbridge, Virginia, passed away peacefully on November 15, 2024. Jim dedicated his life to serving his country as a distinguished Civil Servant with the United States Government. Most of his career was spent with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), where he supported its contracting mission. His work at USAID allowed him to combine his passion for photography and adventure, traveling the world extensively. Jim retired from USAID in 2002.

An active and proud member of the Lions Club, Jim championed its mission to provide vision and hearing assistance to those in need. His commitment to service was a cornerstone of his life.

Jim graduated from Virginia Tech in 1969 with a degree in Business Administration. A lifelong Hokie, he maintained his enthusiasm for Virginia Tech football, often calling his alumni daughter after games to chat and sing the Hokie fight song.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Sandra Jeckell, his lifelong partner in gaming, adventure, and love. He is also survived by his daughter, Meghann Minahan (Jeckell) Abell, and her husband, Daniel Abell, of Seattle, Washington, his son, Kenneth Allen Jeckell, his wife, Christen Jeckell, and their daughter, Lillian Marie Jeckell, of Media, Pennsylvania. Additionally, Jim is survived by his two stepdaughters, Gail Jensen and her daughter, Tiffany, of Woodbridge, Virginia, and Debra Henderson and her four children: William, Alicia, Jacob, and Elizabeth, of Colorado.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Charles Patterson Jeckell and Katherine Minahan Jeckell, as well as his brother, Charles Jeckell.

A service to honor Jim's life will be held on January 16th, 2025, at the Miller Funeral Home, 3200 Golansky Blvd., Woodbridge, VA 22192, beginning at 2:00 PM. In true Jim Jeckell fashion, a Celebration of Life will follow at 4:30 PM at a TBD destination.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to the Lions of Virginia Foundation, Inc. (LOVF, Inc.) c/o Treasurer, 102 Oak Meadow Dr., Bridgewater, VA 22182, in Jim's memory, supporting his enduring passion for serving others.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 16. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ I'm very sorry to hear of the passing of Mr Jeckell. I send my deepest condolences to his family as they endure this difficult loss.



M. Jones - December 02, 2024 at 04:08 PM

TJ

“ TJ and Rusty Jensen purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Allen Jeckell.



TJ and Rusty Jensen - November 22, 2024 at 02:32 PM

TJ

“ TJ and Rusty Jensen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jeckell.

TJ and Rusty Jensen - November 22, 2024 at 02:32 PM

RH

“ Thinking of Jim and the whole family of course, my heart aches for you during this time of loss. I hope you find strength in the support of friends and family.

Randall Hodges - November 21, 2024 at 10:02 AM