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James Gibson, II, age 66, of Georgetown, DE, passed away on Saturday, September 4, 2021, at the Delaware Hospice Center, Milford, DE. He was born in San Diego, CA on January 14, 1955, and lived most of his life in York, PA before moving to Delaware. He was the son of the of the late James and Wilma (Sorensen) Gibson of York, PA. He was predeceased by his brother Carl Gibson of Warren, ME.

Mr. Gibson was self-employed as a wholesale purveyor of restaurant equipment.

He was an avid Corvette enthusiast and he enjoyed restoring cars and attending car shows.

His is survived by his partner of over 20 years, Diane Gullo (who he affectionately called Greta) of Georgetown; two sisters, Carol Orlock of Port Townsend, WA and Nancy Gibson of Christiansburg, VA; a brother David Gibson of Boise, ID; a sister-in-law and friend Polly Gibson of Warren, ME; a nephew Chris Gibson; a niece Julie Gibson and a great nephew Luke O'Connell. He is also survived by his six rescue cats.

All services will be private.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Just Us Cat Rescue, P.O. Box 32, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 or to your local SPCA.

Please sign the virtual guest book located on the tribute page.



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Kathleen Wolff lit a candle in honor of James.



March 22 at 6:07 PM



Wendy Tompkins posted:

So sorry for your loss. Jim was such a great person. We graduated from Red Lion High School together in 1973.

November 16 at 7:56 AM



Ron Shirey posted:

So sorry to hear this. Did Jim graduate from Red Lion Area Senior High? Thank you.

September 27 at 5:04 PM



Sean posted:

I was very to sorry to hear this. I was just informed by another auctioneer that Mr. Jim had passed. I know he was into and knew corvettes but also very knowledgble in restaurants and auctions. Anyone could learn something from Jim, if he knew it, he would share it. It was a pleasure knowing him. T ill we meet again my friend, Sean Z

September 21 at 11:59 AM



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Steve Kappel posted:

My cousin Paul was a friend of Jim's, and when I told Paul that I was interested in buying an older Corvette, he told me to contact his buddy Jim who knew virtually everything there was to know about Corvettes. This was in 2008. What I didn't know then was that I would meet and get to know such a terrific friend for the last 13 years. Jim was such a nice guy, always willing to help someone, always making a "deal" at the Carlisle car shows, and of course always willing to tell a joke - there's almost too many to remember. We went on a trip together in 2009 to Ohio to find a Corvette for me, and it was one of the best times I've ever had. He had so much knowledge to share. Over the years I brought the car to his garage and he always had time to work on something with me or show me how to fix it myself. So many good times at Carlisle over the years! I was amazed at how many people he knew there. It seemed like we couldn't walk 50 feet without him bumping into somebody he knew. He treated his customers very well, and everyone was always happy to see him. I met so many of Jim's friends over the years - Jeff, Bob, and Bill just to name a few. When my cousin was sick a few years back, he came up to Carlisle to share an afternoon with Jim and I. We sat around drinking a few beers and listening to them tell old "war stories" about their youth in York PA was priceless. I will miss Jim tremendously, and going to the Carlisle car shows will never be the same without him. But when I think about Jim, he will forever bring a smile to my face and a happy memory to think about. That would make him happy! God bless Jim and Greta and their friends and family.-Steve Kappel

September 17 at 12:24 PM



Diane Gullo September 19 at 8:19 AM

Thank you Steve! Beautiful tribute! You are so right that the car shows just won't be the same. Greta



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John Lufrio posted:

I had the good fortune to meet Jim a few years ago at the Carlisle Corvette event, and spent time with him at several shows there after. It didn't take long before I felt Jim was friend. Every time I was with Jim it was inevitable I would learn something about cars and restorations, especially Corvettes. Jim was very generous with his knowledge and resources. People often sought his insight and advice at the shows. Two years ago, a high schooler that made signs out of car parts showed Jim his work, and Jim was so impressed he gave him more parts to use than he could carry. The other thing was Jim's sense of humor which was always quick and at the ready. Just a few weeks ago my brother in law and I went to Jim's shop to help him get parts together for this year's show. It was obvious Jim was not feeling well, but before I departed that day, he still managed to teach me about Corvettes one more time. And of course he brought the smiles out when he retold a story about a joke he pranked me with a few years ago. It was an absolute privilege to have known Jim, and only wish I knew him longer. God Bless Greta and Jim's family. John Lufrio

September 13 at 1:56 PM



Diane Gullo September 19 at 8:25 AM

Thanks for sharing John! Greta



Victoria Curran posted:

Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal. Rest In Peace Jimmy.....love Vickie and Chris.

September 13 at 5:33 AM



Diane Gullo September 19 at 8:28 AM

Beautiful! We will have our memories! Thanks Vickie and Chris. —Greta



Deb Thornton posted:

Jimmy will be missed by many. Such candor and an original sense of humor. He was a long time buddy through all the years in the bar and restaurant industry in York and here at the beach area. Have a BUD for us and prayers and blessings to Diane and the Gibson family. Deb and Ted Thornton Bethany Beach DE

September 10 at 10:56 AM



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GA

Gary posted:

I ken Jimmy from the old days at the York Valley Inn! Ran into him several times after throughout the years! May his memory be a blessing. Gary and Sue Goldstein

September 10 at 10:33 AM

CB

Charlie Burnside posted:

Jim will be missed by many personal and business friends from anyone who knew and dealt with Jimmy! If you had any associations with Jim, you had a sincere and genuine and caring relationship you will never forget. Jim was there when you needed him and someone you could always trust. We shared may great times when visiting Ocean City, Maryland and always looked forward when Jim returned to York, PA. Miss you "Jimmy" Charlie and Susie

September 10 at 9:14 AM

DG

Diane Gullo September 19 at 8:30 AM

He always look forward to see you as well! ---Greta

CM

Charlie Mest posted:

Jimmy was a great buddy and the best steamer of live crabs I ever met, he was famous as the cook and participant of many annual crab feasts. He will be missed and always had a good story and laugh

September 10 at 8:25 AM

BT

Blake Thomas posted:

My condolences to Jim's family and friends. Jim and I were best of friends for a number of years. He will be missed who anyone who was aquatinted with him.

September 10 at 2:39 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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