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James Patrick O'Doherty of Lewes, Delaware, passed away peacefully on October 20, 2025, at the age of 80. Born on January 15, 1945, in Chester, Pennsylvania, James, affectionately known as “GPop”, lived a full and joyful life marked by laughter, love, and a meaningful impact on others.

A proud graduate of the Pennsylvania Military College, James carried that discipline and determination throughout his life. After his honorable military service in the United States Army, James embarked on a distinguished career as a Financial Software Executive, where his dedication and integrity were evident. He found his greatest pride and purpose within his family. James devoted himself to providing unwavering love, steadfast support, and gentle guidance, instilling in his family the strength and compassion to uphold these cherished values throughout their lives.

For 36 years, James was the devoted husband of Susan O'Doherty. Together they built a life rich with love, laughter, and family traditions that will be carried forward by all who knew him. He was the cherished father of Adam, Shannon, and Matthew O'Doherty, and Jason Schenk, all of whom he adored and of whom he was immensely proud. His role as “GPop” to his grandchildren was one he treasured above all—his smile would light up whenever they walked into the room.

James, a true gentleman, had an infectious charisma that made everyone feel like a lifelong friend. Whether sharing a story, offering encouragement, or cracking a joke, he had a way of lifting spirits wherever he went. His passions reflected his zest for life: Jim enjoyed golfing, traveling with Susan to favorite destinations, enjoying a classic John Wayne movie, or relaxing with a good book. Yet, nothing brought James greater happiness than time spent surrounded by his family.

Beyond his home, James was deeply committed to his community beginning with his significant involvement in regional sports in Chester County. He was a member of St. Judethe Apostle Catholic Church and proudly volunteered in the Lewes Fire Department Auxiliary as well as the



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Make-A-Wish Foundation. Through his generosity and faith, James touched countless lives and inspired everyone fortunate enough to know him.

James Patrick O'Doherty will be remembered for his kind heart, his unwavering love for his family, and his ability to find joy in the simple moments of life. His laughter and spirit will echo into the hearts of those he leaves behind, a lasting reminder of a life beautifully lived.

James was predeceased by his parents, Mary and James O'Doherty, and his brother, John (Jack) O'Doherty.

James is survived by his beloved wife, Susan O'Doherty; his children, Adam and Gina O'Doherty and their children, Marianna, Kayla, and Shayne; Shannon O'Doherty and her daughter, Alyx Barszowski; Matt and Debra O'Doherty and their children, Andrew and Grant; and Jason and Pilar Schenk and their children, Dayton, Milo, and Gisele. He is also lovingly remembered by his sister-in-law, Joann O'Doherty, and his nieces, Meredith Herley (John) and Erin Smyth (Chris).

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at 11:00 AM at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 152 Tulip Drive, Lewes, DE 19958, where family and friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Military honors will be rendered following the service outside the church.

A Chapel Committal Service will take place the following day, Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 11:00 AM., at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro, DE 19966.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in James's memory to the Lewes Fire Department, <https://lewesfire.com/donations/> an organization that held a special place in his heart.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3:00 PM ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025, TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.



Events


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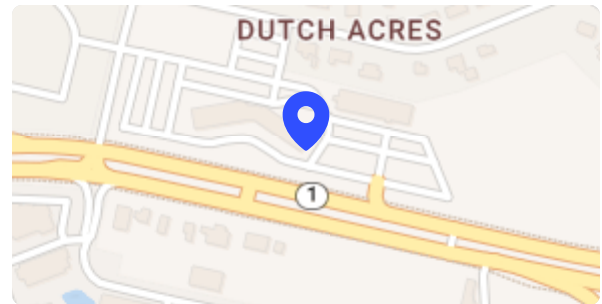
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Visitation

 **Wednesday**, November 5, 2025

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **St. Jude The Apostle Catholic Church**
152 Tulip Drive, Lewes DE 19958



Mass of Christian Burial


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 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET


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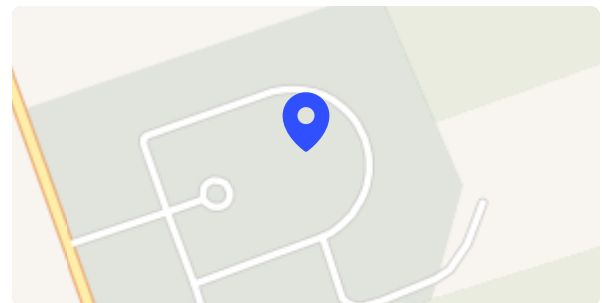


Chapel Committal

 **Thursday**, November 6, 2025

 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

 **Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery**
26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro DE





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Bob Anselmo posted:

one of my favorite memories of Jim was A Xmas Eve dinner i had. Being Italian, i invited Jim and Susan to my 7 fishes dinner. I kept bringing food out and Jim was like geez is there anything left in the ocean. It was so much fun and he was a truly kind, compassionate and accepting man to all. We miss him greatly.

November 4 at 9:47 AM



Liz Heun shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Dear Susan and family, So grateful to have known Jim's gentle smile and generous hospitality. He was an honorary Rocker from the day we met him. Such a good man. Glad to have our recent memories from this spring's gathering. My thoughts are with you. Love, Liz



October 25 at 6:15 PM



Glenn Hibler shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Glad I got to know Jim. He was a quality man.



October 24 at 4:03 PM



Karen Hartschuh posted:

Susan and family, We are so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Jim was such a nice guy. He had an impish smile, was quick with a joke and a true gentleman. Please know we are here for you and can help in any way you might need during the next several months. Karen Hartschuh & Rob Dixon

October 23 at 3:21 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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