In Loving Memory

James "Jim" W. Holmes

I love you so deeply,
I love you so much,
I love the sound of your voice,
And the way that we touch.

I love your warm smile, And your kind thoughtful way, The joy that you bring, To my life every day.

I love you today
As I have from the start,
And I'll love you forever
With all of my heart.

...Read to Jim by Marjorie often...

DATE OF BIRTH

May 20, 1927 – Prescott, Kansas

DATE OF DEATH

May 23, 2019 - Des Moines, Iowa

VISITATION

Tuesday May 28, 2019 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. First Baptist Church – Des Moines, Iowa

FUNERAL SERVICE

Wednesday May 29, 2019 10:30 a.m. First Baptist Church – Des Moines, Iowa By: Ken Holmes & Pastor Dan McCoy Brad Holmes, Speaker

MUSIC

"Thank You" by Becky Lee
"Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place"
by Molly McCarthy
Pianist, Kim McCoy

PALLBEARERS

Darren Holmes Scott Holmes Brian Corbin Ryan Holmes Brad Holmes Matt Dunfee Rod Eilander Gary Dale Jamie Nikkel Jim Thovson

INTERMENT

Holmes Cemetery – Pleasanton, Kansas

Pastor James "Jim" W. Holmes, who was born on May 20, 1927 in Prescott, KS, passed away on May 23, 2019 in Des Moines, IA at the age of 92.

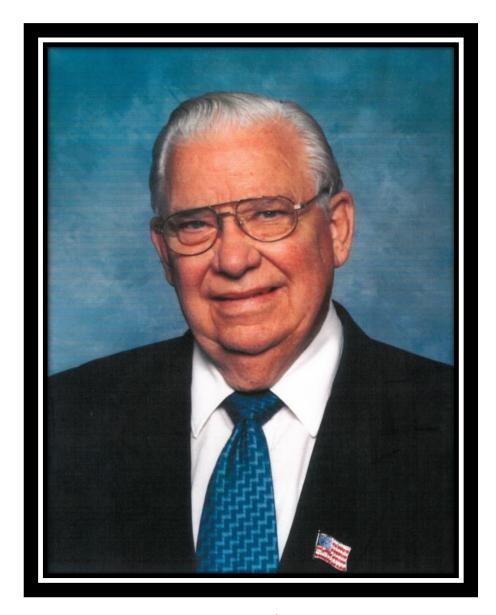
Jim married Doris Stroud in 1950 and started his married life as a farmer and later graduated from Baptist Bible College in 1963. Jim moved to Des Moines and started New Testament Baptist Church where he ministered for over 50 years. After Doris' passing in 1989, Jim married Marjorie Eilander.

Jim was referred to as Pastor by many and was a stranger to noone. He shared God's Message of Salvation not only to his church but to the many he mentored. He guided many assistant pastors and associates through Iowa and all over the world. Jim was a humble man and always willing to help anyone; often opening his home to missionaries or a friend passing through town. He loved to laugh and tell a joke, sometimes forgetting the punchline, but we all laughed anyways. Many times Jim could be seen out on a hot day mowing the church property in his suit. He had a big heart for his church and his family was very important to him. He loved being surrounded by his large extended family, many times gathered around the long kitchen table.

Jim is survived by his wife Marjorie; children Ken (Charmaine), Karen (Tom) Grogan and Linda (Randy) Corbin; stepchildren Rich (Patty) Eilander, Ed (Tonda) Eilander and Mary (Lowell) Noring; grandchildren Darren (Jenna), Robin Reha, Danakay (Gary) Dale, Matt Dunfee, Scott Holmes, Marcee (Jamie) Nikkel, Brian (Paige) Corbin, Brad (Suzanne) Holmes, Jayne (Jim) Thovson, Ryan (Tina) Holmes, Michelle Holmes, Scott (Missy) Eilander, Clint (Billie) Eilander, Chad Eilander, Kristi (John) Carter, Bret (Wendy) Eilander, Eric Eilander, Rod Eilander, Joshua (Alexis) Noring and Nick Noring; 33 great-grandchildren, who lovingly referred to him as "Papa Church" and 4 great-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife Doris; son Dwayne; daughter-in-law Jackie; his parents and two brothers and a sister.

Memorials may be directed to First Baptist Church, 3020 E. 38th St., Des Moines, IA 50317.





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