

**JAMES ROBERT EVERETT****1943 - 1995**

James Robert Everett was born in Old Hickory, Tennessee, on January 28, 1943. As a young lad, he grew faster and taller than most of his friends, and by the time he was ready to attend Dupont High School, the basketball team was ready for the 6' 4" Jim Everett to join their team. After high school, he attended the University of Tennessee where he received his undergraduate degree. After college, he joined the U. S. Army where he proudly served his country during the Vietnam War, receiving several decorations for his bravery and service.

Following his military service, he went back to the University of Tennessee to attend the School of Law, graduating in 1968, and then returned to Davidson County where he began his practice of law with the late James McKinney, a prominent Nashville attorney who later became Speaker of the Tennessee House of Representatives.

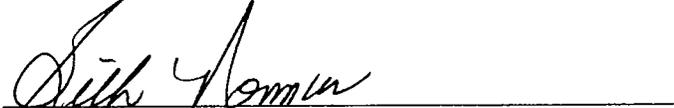
Jim Everett always had a life-long desire to become a judge, and his dream finally came true in 1982 when he was elected by the Davidson County voters as the Probate Court Judge. Jim's duties included handling probate estates and matters regarding conservators and wards. The Judge further assumed the added responsibility during his tenure as the Probate Judge of also handling the DUI vehicular homicide cases, all highly

emotional and highly publicized. Jim was innovative in establishing a public service work program whereby defendants would perform public service hours for the City of Nashville by cleaning office buildings, thereby saving taxpayers thousands and thousands of dollars each year. His DUI treatment and probation initiatives were added examples of his efforts as Probate Judge, as was the cost-efficient services provided to wards of the court.

The central driving force behind Judge Everett was friendship . . . he loved people. He had the rare quality of making and keeping friends. He drew people to him through his own friendliness and winning smile. He thrived on helping others and was singularly proud of his heritage. There is no person known who would ever be able to say that Jim Everett thought that he had risen above anyone else.

Jim Everett was a man who will always be remembered for his patriotic service to his country, his loyalty to his friends, his commitment to his family, and his dedication to the judicial system.

  
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