



James "Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson

January 21, 1930 - September 17, 2024

James "Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson passed away at the age of 94 on September 17 at Rockville Terrace in Cordelia of complications from vascular dementia exacerbated by a recent stroke.

Jim Wilson was born January 21, 1930, in Schenectady New York to James Wilson, Sr. of Canada and Loretta Rose Wilson (nee Neville) of Troy New York. Jim was preceded in death by both parents and his younger brother, Robert "Bob" Wilson.

Jim Wilson earned a BS in Geography from the University of Oregon in Eugene, Oregon and a M.Ed. from the University of Portland. Jim also spent several years as a seminarian at the Benedictine Monastery in Mount Angel, Oregon before joining the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers as an oblate in California and Illinois.

Jim Wilson married Marilyn Bruns of Coldwater, Ohio in 1963 after meeting at work in the Siskiyou County school district where Jim worked as an elementary school teacher. They were married for 59 years until Marilyn's death in December 2022.

Jim Wilson worked for several decades as a school counselor at Will C Wood middle school in Vacaville, California. In semi-retirement, he worked as a

Certified Nursing Assistant with home health and hospice agencies.

A passionate backpacker and camper, Jim spent his free time including many summers between school terms in the mountains of the Sierra Nevada. He considered himself an amateur photographer and admired the work of Ansel Adams. He was also an amateur philosopher and continued to read, into his late eighties.

Jim is survived by his five children Susan (Rick Schmitz) Wilson-Schmitz of Hamburg Germany, Karen Wilson of San Diego, Greg (Erin Stumpf) Wilson of Sacramento, Geoffrey (Carolina Sugiharto) Wilson of Fairfield, and Stephen (Mary) Wilson of San Francisco; ten grandchildren Denise, Lindt and Thomas Schmitz, Patrick and Cameron Wilson, Brendan, Cian, Aodhan, and Aisling Wilson, and Damian Wilson; and one great-grandchild, Liliane Wilson.

A catholic funeral mass will be held Thursday October 24 at 11:00 am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Fairfield, Ca. Interment will follow at St Alphonsus Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to Mt. Angel Abbey in St Benedict, Oregon. Arrangements are under the care of Twin Chapels Mortuary, Vallejo (707) 552-6696. www.TwinChapelsMortuary.com

Cemetery Details

St. Alphonsus Catholic Cemetery

1808 Union Ave.
Fairfield, CA 94533

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

OCT **24**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
2700 Dover Ave.
Fairfield, CA 94533

Tribute Wall

RB

“ I’m Rochelle Bounville and extend my deepest heartfelt condolences to Jim’s and Marilyn’s children; Susan, Karen, Greg, Geoffrey and Steve and also their families. Jim and Marilyn hired as their babysitter for you children. I was twelve when I babysat for the first time and fell in love with each one of you! I literally came across sweet mementos and school pictures recently, from all of you that I kept as cherished memories for me. Your Dad always picked me up from my home and then took home afterwards. I recall always enjoying his and my conversations , usually about the book I was currently reading. Your Mom was always so kind too. Your parents were so good to me. I thoroughly enjoyed being your babysitter and had fun with you all. The first time I babysat, I was twelve and had so much fun with all of you. I was Sharyn and Jim Stever’s babysitter, the parents of Kelly and John, your neighbors. Your Mom and Sharyn would joke that they needed to confirm there was no conflict when each scheduled me for an evening, lol. It is my hope that each of you are greatly thriving and now are finding the grace and love of the Lords warm embrace as you each now journey in life without your lovely parents. I truly wish all of you much joy and happiness!

Rochelle Bounville - November 25, 2024 at 01:54 AM

VA

“ Valerie, John and Canela have sent a donation to the Mount Angel Abbey library fund in memory of James"Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson. I know that he was a voracious reader and a man of peace,prayer, fellowship and learning that the Abbey represents.

Valerie - October 22, 2024 at 05:07 PM

KL

“ Kateri Davis & Kevin Lund purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James "Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson.



Kateri Davis & Kevin Lund - October 13, 2024 at 09:06 PM

KL

“ Kateri Davis & Kevin Lund planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson.

Kateri Davis & Kevin Lund - October 13, 2024 at 09:06 PM

RI

“ I first met Jim on a Thanksgiving trip to Fairfield. Since my own father passed away when I was young, I was a bit intimidated about spending time with Jim when I first met him. I felt like I didn't really do right by him when we met and I wrote to him afterwards explaining my situation. He was very understanding and we got along very well after that.

He was always excited to see us and talk about just about any topic that was on the top of his mind. He could spend a half an hour telling you about the best directions on how to get somewhere. When it came time to propose to Sue, I decided to be old-fashioned and ask for her parent's permission first. I called them and asked. Jim replied "What does she want?"

He was a sweet and loving father and husband and a great role model for me on how to be both of those. Rest well, Jim.

Rick - October 11, 2024 at 08:16 AM

PC

“ Patricia Corbin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson.

Patricia Corbin - October 10, 2024 at 12:11 AM

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“ Patricia Corbin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James "Jim" Hasbrouck Wilson.



Patricia Corbin - October 10, 2024 at 12:11 AM