



James Edward Kilgallon

May 16, 1944 - March 21, 2019

James Edward Kilgallon, age 74 of Upper Gwynedd and formerly of Conshohocken, died on Thursday, March 21, 2019. He was born in St. Vincent's Hospital in Southwest Philadelphia on May 16, 1944, the son of the late John P. and Mary "Mollie" (Boland) Kilgallon. He was the beloved husband of Jeanne (Seifert) Kilgallon for thirty years.

At the age of 7, Jim and his family moved to the Spring Mill section of Conshohocken. He attended St. Matthew Grade School and graduated from St. Matthew High School Class of 1962.

He answered his country's call, enlisting in the United States Army on January 23, 1963, and was later deployed to Vietnam. He was a decorated Vietnam Combat Veteran of the 101st Airborne "Screaming Eagles" where he attained the rank of Sergeant. He was proud of his service to his country and was proud to have been there. He was honorably discharged on January 19, 1966. Unfortunately, his heroic combat service to his country left his health damaged due to his exposure to Agent Orange while in Vietnam. Later in life, he was listed by the Department of Veterans Affairs as having a 100% service-connected disability.

After he came home from the Vietnam War; he was hired by the Pennsylvania Railroad. While working with the railroad for only six months, he lost his right

arm in a tragic accident. While recovering from his injury, he enrolled in night school at Montgomery County Community College.

He was employed by Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company from 1968 to 1998, starting out as a court house title searcher; Title Officer; Assistant Vice President and Title Plant Manager; Vice President and General Manager of Title Plants; Senior Vice President & Philadelphia County Manager for Direct Offices and Agents; and finally Vice President & Director of National Title Services. From 1998 to 2006, he worked at Fidelity National Title Insurance Company as Executive Vice President & Director of National Title Services, where part of his job was to recruit, open and manage National Title offices in major cities throughout the United States. Under his direction, the National Division produced \$50 million in title insurance premiums on an annual basis while maintaining an excellent loss ratio. After retiring; he subcontracted as an expert witness for the TASA Group.

He was a faculty member of Penn State University, Delaware County Campus, where he taught Title Insurance Theory and Practice. He also taught this same course at Villanova University, Villanova, PA. He was also a faculty member of the Pennsylvania Land Title Institute, where he taught courses on Liens and Estates, and also authored the course for First Year of Studies. He was appointed by W. Wilson Goode, Sr., then Mayor of Philadelphia, to serve on the Board of the Logan Assistance Corporation regarding the sinking homes in the Logan section of Philadelphia. He also was appointed to work on the Osage Redevelopment Project regarding the redevelopment of that area. He was designated an Associate Land Title Professional by the Pennsylvania Land Title Association; he was appointed Treasurer of the Philadelphia Board of Realtors from 1986 -1987 and was a member of the Association of Title Examiners.

He was an avid golfer, played racquetball and was a fan of the Philadelphia sports teams. He also loved the New Jersey shore and going to casinos. Jim

was a humble man, who never complained, was always happy and optimistic, and loved all things to do with his family, making sure he was the “glue” that kept the family together.

He is survived by: four sons, James E. Jr. (Theresa) of Bridgewater, NJ, Kevin of King of Prussia, PA; Jeffrey J. of Plymouth Meeting, PA and Joseph M. (Shanique) of Conshohocken, PA and step-children, Steven J. Stewart (Alesia) of Wenonah, NJ; and Carolyn S. Dowling (Sean) of Sanatoga, PA; two brothers, Father John of Southampton, PA; and Daniel R. of Plymouth Meeting, PA; a sister, Maureen Hanna of Conshohocken, PA; and a sister-in-law, Margaret Kilgallon; Nine grandchildren (Amanda, Abigail, Oscar, Ethan, Brooke, Colin, Joseph Jr., Samuel and Kiera; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Michael P. Kilgallon.)

Relatives and friends may pay respects on Tuesday evening, March 26th from 6-8pm at the William A. Moore Funeral Home, 708 Fayette St., Conshohocken or on Wednesday morning, March 27th from 8:30-9:50am at Corpus Christi Church, 900 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446. Mass will commence in the church at 10am. Internment is private at Washington Crossing National Cemetery in Newtown, PA.

Previous Events

Evening Visitation

MAR **26.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

William A. Moore Funeral Home
708 Fayette Street
Conshohocken, PA 19428
(610) 828-4006
<https://www.williamamoore.com/>

Morning Visitation

MAR **27.** 8:30 AM - 9:50 AM (ET)

Corpus Christi RC Church
900 Sumneytown Pike
Landsdale, PA 19446

Mass

MAR **27.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Corpus Christi RC Church
900 Sumneytown Pike
Landsdale, PA 19446

Tribute Wall

JT

“ *Jenny And Julius Torres lit a candle in memory of James Edward Kilgallon*



Jenny and Julius Torres - March 28, 2019 at 02:22 PM

BJ

“ *Bobby Moore Jr lit a candle in memory of James Edward Kilgallon*



Bobby moore jr - March 27, 2019 at 12:59 AM

GS

“ *Jim hired me for my first job in the title industry 30 years ago, and was a mentor and teacher to me for two decades. A brilliant man and always the voice of reason. My sincere condolences to his family. Yours truly is a great loss*

Gary Sternick - March 26, 2019 at 06:36 PM

DT

“ *Don and the Market Access Leadership Team purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.*



Don and the Market Access Leadership Team - March 26, 2019 at 04:30 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.*



March 26, 2019 at 03:37 PM



“ *Cara and Bob Gaul purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.*



Cara and Bob Gaul - March 26, 2019 at 12:16 PM



“ *From a son's point of a view who makes a living in The Arts, this will forever be the hardest act to follow.*

Jeffrey Kilgallon - March 26, 2019 at 11:57 AM



“ *A great man. Mr. Kilgallon taught me how to salute and stand at attention as our Cub Scout Den Leader. He was a positive influence for so many people throughout his life. God bless the Kilgallon Family.*

Anthony Fortescue - March 26, 2019 at 06:52 AM



“ *Fifty years ago, Jim stepped into the role of big brother when a young girl needed it the most. I am very grateful for those fun times.*

“Patty” (Magliente) Interrante - March 25, 2019 at 03:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.



March 25, 2019 at 12:06 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.



March 25, 2019 at 10:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.



March 25, 2019 at 09:14 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.



March 25, 2019 at 04:47 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.*



March 25, 2019 at 04:34 AM



“ *Sincerely, Jennifer Hernandez and Tony Alves purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.*



Sincerely, Jennifer Hernandez and Tony Alves - March 24, 2019 at 11:14 PM



“ *Jimmy, Theresa and Family I'm so sorry for your loss. Its been 1y and 2mos. since I lost my dad and it has been difficult. One thing that brings me comfort is knowing that he is no longer suffering. I talk to him all of the time and feel as though he is with me in the most difficult times and in ways still protects me. Our thoughts and wishes for strength and peace to get you and your family through these next few weeks are with you.*
The Capestrani Family

Lori Capestrani - March 24, 2019 at 08:52 PM

JK

“ Really tough to put into words what he meant to everyone around him so I'll make it short and sweet. There was nothing he liked more than being around the people he loved. Whether it was the siblings dinners every Sunday, a cold beer with his kids, visits from his grandchildren, and most importantly, the morning coffee with his wife on the patio.

I'm sure many people reading this have similar stories I'm not aware of. I just want everyone to know he fought as long and hard as he did because he wanted to have as much time with you as possible.

Joe Kilgallon - March 24, 2019 at 08:35 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James Edward Kilgallon.



March 24, 2019 at 12:26 PM

RM

“ our families grew up together, always a good man and friend. RIP Jim

Richard G Minnick - March 24, 2019 at 09:09 AM

JM

“ Uncle Jim was a wonderful man. Not only was he strong, smart and successful, but he could always make you smile! He loved his family more than anything and it showed. He set a great example of how to live life. He will be greatly missed.

Julia Hanna Moore - March 24, 2019 at 07:36 AM