



## James C. Black MD

January 19, 2013

Distinguished local psychiatrist and community member James C. Black, MD, died suddenly at his Farmington home on Saturday January 19, 2013, of an unexpected illness. He was 78 years old. Dr. Black is survived by his wife, Monica Black, and five children; Thomas, Timothy, Andrew, Jonathan Black, and Elizabeth Scanlon-Black, his 20 grandchildren, and many other extended family members.

Dr. Black graduated from the University of Illinois with a B.S., the first member of his family to complete college, and subsequently obtained his medical degree from Strich School of Medicine in Chicago. He later completed residencies at Loyola University and Ohio State University in Psychiatry, and a fellowship at the University of Cincinnati in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. In addition, he was a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving two years of active duty during this period in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Following completion of his fellowship, Dr. Black and his family moved to West Simsbury, Connecticut, and Dr. Black served as the Medical Director of Child & Family Services in Hartford, providing acute care services to the communities' children for over a decade. He subsequently established a private practice, where he has continued his service alongside his now 20 colleagues, until the time of his death. In addition, he was extraordinarily active in medical training and education in the state, as well as serving on the Board at the Institute of Living and the Connecticut Children's Medical Center, and providing less formal but equally vital contributions as an instructor,

adviser and mentor to innumerable area medical students and physicians. The funeral will be Wednesday, January 23, 2013 beginning with visitation from 10 a.m. to noon at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, followed by a service at 12:00 noon. Burial will be private in the CT State Veterans Cemetery, Middletown.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 23. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home  
906 Farmington Ave  
West Hartford, CT 06119  
(860) 232-1322

## Service

JAN 23. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

KB

“ *My sincere condolences to Dr. Black's family. I worked with Jim in the West Hartford Public Schools. His service to the staff, students and families was invaluable. We all learned from his compassion and extensive knowledge of child psychiatry. Mostly I will remember his wry humor and the twinkle in his eye as he set his mind to difficult clinical problems. I felt privileged to watch him work his "magic". He will be dearly missed.*

*Karen Bachman  
(retired school social worker)*

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**Karen Bachman** - January 26, 2013 at 07:35 AM

JM

“ *Dear Mrs Black and Family. Jim was one of the finest child psychiatrists we had. He will be sorely missed.*

*Jim Monahan, Ph.D., ABPP  
Madison, Ct*

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**James J. Monahan** - January 25, 2013 at 06:53 AM

SC

“ *I remember how kind Dr. Black was to students and staff at Conard, when I was working in the Alternate Program there in the seventies. I'm sure he helped many young people during his long and distinguished career. I'm sure he will be greatly missed.*

*Sincerely,*

*Simone Vrabel le Coutre  
(retired teacher).*

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**Simone Vrabel le Coutre** - January 23, 2013 at 03:50 PM

MK

“ *My condolences to Black family. Going to miss Uncle Jims visits to us in Illinois! Always a fun time and many great family memories going back to when I was just a little guy! Miss you already and Uncle Marsh and mom too. Love you all!*

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**michael kreider** - January 23, 2013 at 09:37 AM

MK

“ *Michael Kreider lit a candle in memory of James C. Black MD*



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**michael kreider** - January 23, 2013 at 09:30 AM

WM

“ *Jim sublet me my first private practice office, at 609 Farmington Ave. in West Hartford. I'll always appreciate his generosity, wonderful clinical skills and ability to put patients and families at ease. His sense of humor was especially welcome to colleagues and patients, and helped me to relax as a new practitioner. My heartfelt condolences to Jim's family, colleagues, and patients. Bill Taylor*

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**William R. Taylor, M.D.** - January 23, 2013 at 07:42 AM

JH

“ *Jim was a beloved supervisor of mine when I trained at the Institute of Living in the late 80's He was a wonderful child psychiatrist and mentor and his legacy will live on in the hearts of those he touched . Sincerely Jean hagen*

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**Jean Hagen** - January 23, 2013 at 06:15 AM

AM

“ Ahmad Zubairi, MD purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James C. Black MD.



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Ahmad Zubairi, MD - January 22, 2013 at 08:19 PM

KG

“ I am a Special Education teacher, who had the privilege of having Dr. Black help us in certain cases. Dr. Black always shed LIGHT on our situations. He helped with so many students, families and teachers. We trusted his expertise, his intelligence, his compassion, his experience. My last words to him were, "Thank you, Dr. Black." And that is all I would want to say now, "Thank you, Dr. Black." For his family, I am sorry for your loss, but please know that your husband, father, grandfather did his job so very well.

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Karen Gordon - January 22, 2013 at 07:14 PM

JJ

“ I observed Jim help many young people in schools, juvenile matters and in family court over a very long time. His loss stings, in part, because his intelligence, energy and sense of humor were constant throughout our dealings. I offer my sincere sympathy to his family.

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James C. Wing, Jr. - January 22, 2013 at 05:34 PM

JQ

“ "Our deepest condolence with your passing. I never had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Black but was honored in working with his son Thomas. Our prayers are with you and your family at this time of need.



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Jacqueline Quinones - January 22, 2013 at 02:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James C. Black MD.*



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January 22, 2013 at 01:02 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to Jim's family. We are deeply saddened by his premature passing. He offered invaluable insight, wisdom, guidance and comfort to us as parents and to our children. It is a tremendous loss for all who knew him. We will always be grateful for his having enriched our lives through knowing him. Deb and Jon Goldberg and family.*



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**Deborah B. Goldberg** - January 22, 2013 at 10:20 AM



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**Elisabeth Wilde** - January 22, 2013 at 08:42 AM

EW

“ I am so saddened to lose Jim. He lived an exceptional life giving so much to so many children. Having known Jim over 35 years, I miss him already. Jim supported me as a teenager, my mother, my father and, more recently, my 15 year old son. I owe him a great deal of gratitude.  
Lisa (Wilde), Joan, Bill, Christopher and Kyle



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**Elisabeth Wilde** - January 22, 2013 at 08:23 AM

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“ The world has lost a beautiful man and gifted physician. Our hearts are saddened by his loss. We will miss you Dr. Black. Our deepest sympathy to all his family.

Annie & Tony Mariano

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**Ann Mariano** - January 22, 2013 at 07:15 AM

EM

“ Dr. Black will be sorely missed by his colleagues, the courts, his family and his friends. He was a kind and gentle soul who always found the good in people. We will greatly miss his sense of humor, his good nature, his caring about others and his company. May he be of blessed memory. Emily & Bob

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**Emily J. Moskowitz** - January 21, 2013 at 07:53 PM