



James F. Perretta

February 14, 2018

James F. Perretta, 77, of Avon formerly of West Hartford, beloved husband of Sheila (Kielty) Perretta, died on February 14, 2018. James was born in Hartford to Armando and Lois Perretta, and grew up in Hartford, he graduated from Bulkeley High School, then UCONN class of 1963 for his degree in English. After graduation he married his high school sweetheart and entered the Army, leaving as a Captain. Upon leaving the service he went to work at Pratt and Whitney starting in their personnel training program and working his way up through the company. In 1983 he became Vice President for Human Resources at UTC Automotive in Michigan. From 1985 until his retirement in 2001 he served as Corporate Vice President of Industrial Relations for UTC in Hartford. Jim loved his family, especially doting on his 3 grandchildren, planning frequent trips to Disney World for his entire family, sharing his summers with them at the family cottage in Wells, ME, and traveling extensively with his wife and their close friends. His dog Parker was his constant companion in his retirement. In addition to his wife of 54 years, he is survived by his children; James and his wife Jeannie Perretta of Glastonbury, Daniel Perretta of West Hartford and his fiancé Gayle Clark, Beth Perretta Krane and her husband Jordan of Glastonbury. His 3 grandchildren; Angelina Perretta, and Aidan and Ryan Krane. He is additionally survived by his brother, Michael Perretta and his wife Katherine of Suffield. Jim was predeceased by his sister, Judge Charlotte Perretta of Boston. Funeral services will be Saturday with the Celebration of his Mass of Christian Burial

at 10:00 a.m. at The Church of St. Timothy, 1116 N. Main St. West Hartford. Burial will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Friends and family may call Friday from 4-7 p.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave. West Hartford. Jim will be remembered as a loving, generous, selfless man who left his family with many wonderful memories. Memorial donations in his name may be made to the St. Francis Hospital Foundation, 95 Woodland St. 2nd Floor, Hartford, CT 06105. Directions and online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery

1 Cottage Grove Rd.
Bloomfield, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 16. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 17. 10:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Timothy
1116 North Main St
West Hartford, CT 06117
(860) 233-5131

Tribute Wall

YB

“ We just hear about Jim. Our hearts so grieve with your entire family. Jim (and Shelia) was always the first to welcome us when we rented the cottage next to his in Wells. He was a kind man. Always asking how our sin was doing during chemo treatments and even going to the scoop deck and bring back ice cream for him. Parker was always right next to him barking his way of saying hello. Jim would roll his eyes and tell Parker to hush but we loved the attention. It is not the same here without him. Our love and prayers go out during this difficult time.

Yvonne and Chtis Batson - July 23, 2018 at 08:22 PM

CP

“ I just learned of Jim's passing. I'm so so sorry. I first met Jim when he was a Personnel Trainee at Pratt in the late '60's. Jim was either a coworker, a boss, or a customer for the next 35 years. He was a great guy. I respected and admired him and cherished his friendship. Condolences to your family, Charlie Pilkington.

Charlie Pilkington - March 14, 2018 at 11:07 PM

DM

“ *Shelia & Family - we were so sorry to learn of your loss. I think back to your house hunting visit to Detroit, flying in on a Friday night. An impromptu welcoming committee made up of UTAG HR personnel gathered at the Hyatt Dearborn to meet you 2 Word had it that you were both wondering what you had gotten yourself into - agreeing to transfer to the frontier of Dearborn, MI from warm & cozy E. Hartford. Good memories along the way.*

RIP Jim, God bless!!

Darle & Sandy Martin

Darle Martin - February 19, 2018 at 08:40 PM

MM

“ *My sympathy + prayers to you + your family at this sad time.*

Maureen (McInerney) Mitchell



Maureen Mitchell - February 17, 2018 at 12:03 PM

EG

“ *Dear Sheila, So sorry to read of Jim's passing. You were both wonderful to work with. Jim was a great man. Sincerely, Ed Goldberg*

Ed Goldberg - February 17, 2018 at 08:21 AM

RL

“ *Sheila and family,,*

Very sorry to hear of your loss. I attended Bulkeley H.S. and was in the same class as Jimmy. He was a nice guy and hung out with the smart kids.

One day Rocco Montano and I were having coffee at the Student Union, UCONN, Storrs, and Jimmy walked in. We were surprised to see him and I said what are you doing here. We all laughed.

He will be missed.

Bob Leonard

ROBERT LEONARD - February 16, 2018 at 03:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James F. Perretta.*



February 16, 2018 at 12:55 PM

TF

“ *Tom and Deb Foster purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James F. Perretta.*



Tom and Deb Foster - February 16, 2018 at 10:00 AM

LF

“ Love the Roidoulis Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James F. Perretta.



Love the Roidoulis Family - February 15, 2018 at 05:18 PM

PG

“ Dear Shelia and family,
I am so sorry to hear about Jim. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time.
Sincerely,
Pat Harris Glennon

Patricia Glennon - February 15, 2018 at 05:04 PM

LR

“ Love from Peter, Judy and Ryan purchased the Tranquil Seas for the family of James F. Perretta.



Love from Peter, Judy and Ryan - February 15, 2018 at 03:58 PM

WS

“ A sunny August morning with my coffee in hand hearing from the front deck of Jim's summer home Good Morning Bill. My 1st question always is Mr Parker with you? Of course he was. Much Love to You & Family in the loss of a Gentleman.

William Stien

william stien - February 15, 2018 at 02:48 PM

FP

“ *From - Elinor Parisi, Mark Parisi, Allison Parisi purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James F. Perretta.*



From - Elinor Parisi, Mark Parisi, Allison Parisi - February 15, 2018 at 02:40 PM

JO

“ *Sheila, Beth, Jim and Dan,
We were so saddened to learn of Jim's passing. Your family was so special to Joe and I and our young family when you lived on Treeborough Drive. We were so fortunate to have your friendship, your support and share many good times through those years. Hope you are able to find some peace knowing that he is now at peace.*

Joyce O'Rourke - February 15, 2018 at 11:47 AM

JL

“ *On behalf of President and Head of School, Christian Cashman, I offer my deepest sympathy on the passing of James Perretta. James, along with his daughter Beth Perretta Krane '92 is a valued member of the Northwest Catholic community, so we mourn Jim's loss along with all who love him. Please know that we will remember Jim and his entire family in a special way at our next school-wide Mass. We are very sorry for your loss. ~ Jane Leary, Director of Constituent Relations, Northwest Catholic High School.*

Jane Leary - February 15, 2018 at 11:33 AM

RT

“ *Sheila and family so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you.*

A voice from the pass, Rita Thibodeau who worked with you at Dr. Curis's office.

Will never forget you were there for me when my mother passed.

With Deepest Sympathy!!

RITA THIBODEAU - February 15, 2018 at 08:49 AM

ER

“ *Our condolences to you and your family, Jimmy is rest in perfect peace, we pray that God give you strength, we are very sad too. Rafael and Elena*

elena y rafael - February 14, 2018 at 07:29 PM

GP

Jim; mY SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO YOUR FAMILY.tHE SENTIMENTS AND WORDS EXPRESSED IN YOUR OBITUARY MATCH THE MAN I KNEW. jIM WAS TRULY A MAN OF HIS WORD, WHICH IN HIS FORMER POSITION AT utc MENT EVERYTHING. mAYGOD MAKE YOUR TRANSATION TO HIS HOME A SMOOYH ONE.

George poulin retired VP machinists union

george poulin - February 15, 2018 at 01:06 PM