



## James Davis Burke

December 16, 1936 - July 16, 2023

James Davis Burke (Davis), age 86, of Manassas, VA passed away at home surrounded by family on July 16, 2023. Davis was born in Rappahanock County, VA to Gabe and Florence Burke. He was married to Esther Fincham and they shared almost 64 years together.

After his retirement from Giant Food with 29 years of service, Davis took up golf as a hobby and fell in love with the sport after a few lessons. He enjoyed playing with his golf buddies and eventually worked as a “golf marshal” at his favorite golf course.

Davis enjoyed many things, but above all his family. He ensured his girls had the opportunity to follow their hearts, use their talents, and make their way in the world however they saw fit. While he was a great husband and dad, he excelled at being a grandfather and great grandfather or “Pop”.

Davis is survived by daughters Teresa Burke Murphy, Sandra Burke Sutton (Bryan), and Karen Burke Emory, grandchildren Jamie Sutton Weiss (Jeff), Christopher Bryan Sutton (Monica), Katie Emory Long ( Elliott), Megan Emory Davis (Josh), great grandchildren Lindsay, Ryan, Lana, Emory, Logan, Liana, and Olivia. He is also survived by brothers William Burke, Rannie Burke, Paul Burke, sisters Cecile Baldwin, Doris Burke Payne, and Janet Alther. Davis is also survived by Moose, a 13 year old Terrier who loved and adored his Pop.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his sons-in-law Stephen Murphy, Randy Emory, brothers Moses Burke, Charles L. Burke, and sisters Helen Burke Smoot, Violet Burke Baldwin, and Mary Burke Owens.

Friends are invited to visit with the family on Thursday, July 27, at 6:00pm with the service being held at 7:00pm, Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA. Services will conclude at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude, Wounded Warriors, and Tunnel To Towers Foundation.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 27. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Memorial Service

JUL 27. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Davis Burke.*



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July 26, 2023 at 06:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Davis Burke.*



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July 26, 2023 at 11:54 AM



“ *Jeffrey B. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Davis Burke.*



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**Jeffrey B.** - July 20, 2023 at 11:13 AM

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“ *Davis was a very special person to us. He always had an awesome smile on his face and always enjoyed talking to us when we visited him. You always knew you were loved when you were in his company. We loved hearing about his golf games and most of all being in his company with his positive attitude. We will miss him and our deepest sympathy to Esther and his family. Jimmy and Page Timberlake.*

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**Jimmy and Page Timberlake** - July 18, 2023 at 06:41 PM