



## James Campbell

March 12, 1929 - June 14, 2007

### JAMES CAMPBELL, AEROSPACE CORPORATION EXECUTIVE

Dr. James Patrick Campbell, 78 was a recognized expert in the design of space borne information systems and a retired executive of the Aerospace Corporation. Over his career he authored many papers of significance to developers of aircraft and space based electro-optical and microwave technology applications. He died June 14, 2007 of complications resulting from Prostate Cancer.

Born in Ossining New York, he was a graduate of Yale University (BA in Physics) and University of Southern California (MA in Physics, PhD in Electrical Engineering). He was a loving husband and father of six daughters, an accomplished Pianist, sang regularly in a barbershop quartet, had a passion for airplanes, and learned to ski in earnest when he was seventy. In the last three years of life he also found new and surprising interest in local theater where he had major roles in several plays for the Heritage Hunt community in which he lived. Jim and his wife were active members of All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Doris Westlake Campbell; six daughters, Kathleen Campbell of Elk Grove, CA, Wendy Coombs of Mesa AZ, Tracey Lubman of Walnut Creek CA, Nancy Kudravy of Hawthorne CA,

Bonnie Rowan of West Linn, OR and Kelly Weber of Madison, NJ; 11 grandchildren and many good friends and associates who will miss him.

The family will receive friends from 2:00-4:00 & 7:00-9:00 P.M. Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered 10:00 A.M. Thursday, June 21, 2007 at All Saints Catholic Church, 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas with Rev. Robert C. Cilinski officiating. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Capital Hospice, 10530 Linden Lake Plaza, Suite 200, Manassas, Virginia 20109-6434 in memory of Dr. James Campbell.

Condolences may be sent to [www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com).

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ Jim was one of best individuals that I was very fortunate to meet and work for -at the Aerospace Corp- and he was an outstanding individual in many ways, viz. very intelligent, very personable, and dedicated to developing a satellite system that was sorely needed by the U.S. Armed Forces, The U.S. Govt. owes Jim a great debt of gratitude, for with a young USAF Major, by the name of Paul Kaminiski, [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul\\_G.\\_Kaminski](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul_G._Kaminski) ,and with 4 engineers by the name of Dan Whelan, Floyd Sabin, Bob Brandsberg, and Yours Truly, he initiated the development of the United State's first Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) that could see thru the clouds and which located the Iraqi Republican Guard, in the desert of Kuwait, during the Gulf War. In sum, I was very fortunate to have met him, and to have him as my boss - and as a good friend.

*Dr. James R. La Frieda*

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**Dr. James R. La Frieda** - August 13, 2020 at 07:47 PM

MB

“ Dear Doris and Family,

*No one who witnessed Jim's performance as Dr. Watson in HHLT's November '06 production will ever forget it. His acting rose to a new level; he was transformed. He was a pleasure to work with and will be greatly missed.*

*Our deepest condolences at this sad time,*

*MJ and Gene Brickach*

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**Mary Jane Brickach** - March 29, 2013 at 02:04 PM

EK

“ Ed and I extend our deepest sympathy to Doris and the family. Jim was a fine gentleman and will be missed by the entire Heritage Hunt Community.

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**Ed & Bets Knepley** - March 29, 2013 at 02:04 PM

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“ Doris,

*Frank and I send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. We were friends of Jim's from HHLT in the Charleston performance. We will always remember the fun he brought to his character and all the enjoyment we had with him during all our rehearsals and the actual performance. His sense of humor was always greatly appreciated and sadly we must say he left some great memories for all of those who had the pleasure to work with him in the Little Theater Club activities.*

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**Frank and Peggy Elim** - March 29, 2013 at 02:04 PM

KM

“ Doris, I have fond memories of Jim at our get-together's on Charismatic Way. My thoughts are with you and your family at this time.

*Karen Mantyla*

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**Karen Mantyla** - March 29, 2013 at 02:04 PM