



James Dodd

February 17, 1925 - January 15, 2011

ADRIAN – James A. Dodd, 85, of Adrian, passed away at his home Saturday, Jan. 15, 2011.

James was born Feb. 17, 1925, in New York City, the only child of Allen and Florence (Warner) Dodd.

He received his undergraduate degree from Northland College in Ashland, Wis., and was awarded a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin.

On Oct. 20, 1951, James married Nancy Anne Hoecker in Eagle River, Wis. Nancy, his wife of more than 59 years, survives.

He was the Director Emeritus of the Adrian College Shipman Library, retiring in 1990 after more than 25 years of service. He was a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church, where he was actively involved and served on many committees.

Dedicated to the community, he served in many capacities including board member and chairman of United Fund (which later became United Way), chairman of the board of Goodwill-LARC (now Goodwill Industries), and was active in the Adrian Kiwanis Club. He was instrumental in the founding of the Adrian Symphony and was president from 1986-89. He loved playing golf and

was a long-time member of the Lenawee Country Club.

In addition to his wife, James is survived by children Elizabeth Hoxworth and her husband, Gregory, of Altadena, Calif.; and Paul Dodd and his wife, Charlotte, of Ann Arbor; grandchildren Elizabeth and Grant Hoxworth and James and Andrew Dodd; sister-in-law Susan (John) Drysdale of Montreal, Canada; and brother-in-law, James (Rebecca) Hoecker of Markham, Va.

He was preceded in death by his brothers-in-law, Raymond and Bruce Hoecker.

The memorial service celebrating the life of James Dodd will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2011, at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Gary Dawes and Dr. Stanley Caine officiating. The family will receive friends at the church prior to the service beginning at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Adrian College Shipman Library. Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, where you may send condolences at www.wagleyfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
1245 West Maple Avenue
Adrian, MI

Service

JAN 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Dodd*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *I am deeply saddened by Jim's passing. We spent many happy hours dining with Jim and Nancy and their good friends Bob and Catherine Wilcox. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Fraser##imported-begin##Fraser MacKinnon##imported-end##*

January 26, 2011 at 07:11 PM



“ *Dear Nancy and Family - It's hard to picture Jim not being around to greet everyone with his smiling face! I remember fondly how many students he helped and how he loved his Library! He was certainly a good man, a good husband and a good father. I'm sure Saint Peter already has him assigned to straightening any misplaced books! We'll all miss him. Jan##imported-begin##Janice Hoffer Ferguson##imported-end##*

January 20, 2011 at 12:17 AM



“ Dear Nancy, Paul, Elizabeth and family,
We are so sorry to hear of Jim's passing, but when we remember him we smile, just as we do when we think of you, Nancy, the two of you were such fun to be with. You always had such a beautiful optimistic outlook on life there never seemed to be anything you couldn't face as long as you were together. Thank you for being you, we will miss Jim and his positive attitude, carry on Nancy, it will be hard, but if anyone can do it, you can! You are in our thoughts and prayers JoAn & Sam###imported-begin##Sam & JoAn Beal###imported-end##

January 18, 2011 at 08:42 PM



“ NANCY, ELIZABETH AND PAUL...WE ARE SO SADDENED BY THE NEWS OF JIM'S PASSING. KATE AND I WERE PLANNING ON MAKING THE TRIP ON TUES, BUT THE FREEZING RAIN PREVENTED US FROM GETTING THERE. DAVID HAS SO MANY WONDERFUL MEMORIES WITH ALL OF YOU. YOU ARE ALL IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME.
SUSAN AND DAVID WILCOX###imported-begin##SUSAN WILCOX###imported-end##

January 18, 2011 at 03:12 PM



“ Nancy, I was sorry to here of Jim's passing. I met you once briefly but knew Jim from Kiwanis. I saw him at a kiwanis metting several weeks ago before I left for FL. I will keep Jim and you in my prayers.
Tom Barto###imported-begin##Tom Barto###imported-end##

January 17, 2011 at 06:05 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. I first got to know Mr. Dodd when I was a student at Adrian College and later as a member of Kiwanis. He was a very kind and wonderful man.##imported-begin##Karen L. Tate##imported-end##

January 17, 2011 at 03:01 PM



“ My thoughts our with the Dodd family. I've been reflecting on how very fortunate my siblings and I were to enjoy our childhoods with such a fine man and his family as neighbors.##imported-begin##Alex "Nibs" DesChenes ##imported-end##

January 17, 2011 at 01:43 PM



“ To the Dodd Family-

We are thinking of all of you during this difficult time. Jim will be missed dearly. God Bless.

Shelly Denman and Family##imported-begin##Shelly Denman##imported-end##

January 17, 2011 at 10:14 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Jim's passing. You both were such great neighbors. I think of you often. Sue##imported-begin##Susan McCullough##imported-end##

January 16, 2011 at 07:47 PM



“ We wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to Nancy and all the family.##imported-begin##David and Ann Guldin##imported-end##

January 16, 2011 at 01:19 PM