



JAMES GATES EDMONDS

July 7, 1927 - April 22, 2019

JAMES GATES EDMONDS, 91, of Parker, Pa., passed away April 22, 2019 at Newhaven Court at Clearview of Butler.

He was born July 7, 1927 in Bruin, PA., the son of William W. and Margarite (Gates) Edmonds.

James graduated from Bruin High School in 1945 and received a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Pittsburgh in 1952. He honorably served as a member of the US Navy during WWII. James worked as an analytical chemist and foreman at the former Koppers for 16 years, and then spent an addition 16 years at Indspec.

He was a longtime member of both the Faith Community Church and the Bruin Volunteer Fire Department and enjoyed volunteering at bingo night. James lived in the area all his life except for a few years spent in Florida and Rock Hill, SC before moving to Parker. Family was extremely important to him and he loved taking walks and ice skating with them in his younger days. He cherished the time spent with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. His family and friends will always remember his kind, gentle, and loving spirit.

He is survived by his sons, Larry L. Edmonds and wife, Donna of Parker and

Rex W. Edmonds and wife, Joetta, of West Sunbury; daughters, Amy Peters and husband, Dennis, of Bruin and Judy Holtz, of Florida; grandchildren, Daniel, Jacob, Allison, and Adam Edmonds, Benjamin and Ted Peters, and great-grandchildren, James William and Klara Jane Edmonds.

James was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Clara Mae (Schnell) Edmonds, whom he married December 25, 1949. Clara passed November 9, 1991; He was preceded by his second wife, Birdie Lou (Slagle) Horneman-Edmonds, whom he married on December 7, 1996. Birdie passed on February 1, 2010; and his brother, Richard W. Edmonds.

Friends will be received from 2-4 and 6-8 PM on Friday, April 26, 2019 at H. Jack Buzard Funeral Home in Parker (201 S. Wayne Ave).

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at Faith Community Church, 143 Main Street, Bruin, with Pastor Floyd Barnhart officiating.

Burial will be at Bear Creek Cemetery of Petrolia.

Cemetery Details

Bear Creek

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

H. Jack Buzard Funeral Homes, Inc. Parker
201 S. Wayne Street
PO Box 21
Parker, PA 16049
(724) 791-2484

Visitation

APR **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

H. Jack Buzard Funeral Homes, Inc. Parker
201 S. Wayne Street
PO Box 21
Parker, PA 16049
(724) 791-2484

Service

APR **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Community Church
143 Main Street
Bruin, PA 16022

Tribute Wall



“ *Buzard Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of JAMES GATES EDMONDS*



H. Jack Buzard Funeral Homes - April 26, 2019 at 09:42 AM



“ *Vinnie and I are so sorry for your loss. Heaven has gained a beautiful soul. Keeping your family in our prayers for strength in this most difficult time.*

Vinnie & Terri Maurhoff - April 26, 2019 at 07:53 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of JAMES GATES EDMONDS.*



April 26, 2019 at 06:01 AM



“ *Jim was a great man and father, who raised a awesome family, was actually a neighbor who lived up the road in a red brick house, grew up and went to school with his kids, prayers and sympathy to the whole family! Diane(Kelly) Macurak and family*

Jerry and Diane Macurak - April 25, 2019 at 10:22 PM

DS

“ *D. Lynn Schrecongost lit a candle in memory of JAMES GATES EDMONDS*



D. Lynn Schrecongost - April 25, 2019 at 07:13 PM

KC

“ *Our sincere sympathy to the entire family. A respected and well liked man, he passed his qualities on to his children and grandchildren. Prayers for all.*

Karen and Ron Campbell - April 25, 2019 at 07:06 PM

CS

“ *Such a wonderful family of Bruin and Jim will be missed. Sympathies for the entire family.*

Corey & Glenda Sweeney - April 25, 2019 at 06:57 PM

BS

“ *So sorry for your loss thoughts ang prayers for strength during this difficult time . Brenda Slagle*



Brenda slagle - April 25, 2019 at 06:42 PM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss. Your dad was such a nice guy and forever a part of the "Bruin" family. We will keep your family in our prayers at this difficult time. Jack and Nancy Saylor



Jack and Nancy Saylor - April 25, 2019 at 06:08 PM