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An aviation enthusiast with a unique sense of humor, Jimme "Jim" Lutz, of Bellbrook, Ohio made his final flight logbook entry and passed away peacefully at his home on Sunday, May 2nd, 2021. Jimme was 84 years old. A native of Sheldon, Iowa, and was the eldest son of Esther and Alfred Lutz. Departed sisters are Mary Louise, JoAnn, and Lona.

Jimme was proud to be an aeronautical engineer. His first job in aviation was at Ryan Aeronautics in San Diego, where he eventually became a lead engineer and was assigned as a contractor for the CIA involving the Ryan Reconnaissance Drones. Besides his family, Jimme loved everything about aviation. He taught aviation maintenance, designed, built, and flew airplanes. Jimme also enjoyed rescuing dogs and provided loving homes for many. He belonged to the Bellbrook Amateur Radio Club (BARC). He will be lovingly remembered for his wonderful story telling, fondness of Mexican food, and enjoyment of an occasional Bombay gin.

Survivors include his wife Patricia (Patti), two sons Jeff Lutz (Romani), Greg Lutz (Peggy Ferreira), six grandchildren

Cory, Jeremiah (Laura), Stephan (Dani), Jonathan, Sarah, and Jenna; two great-grandchildren Sophia and Tempy, two brothers Tomme Lutz (Tina), and Peter (Donna), mother-in-law Pam "Bling" Knight, sister-in-law Leslie Hamilton (Rex, and departed son Luke), sister-in-law Julie Phill (Greg) and their daughters, Samantha (Andy and their son Jamison and soon to be daughter Vivian) and Kayla (Ron, and their daughters Reagan and Brooklyn); and "adopted" daughter Njeri Mbure.

In memory of Jimme's love for aviation, the family requests donations be made to the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force at <https://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/Collections/Donate/>. You are welcome to send a condolence to the family at www.ConnerAndKoch.com by clicking on his name.



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JL

Jeremiah Lutz posted:

“Eat the dessert first. That way you don’t have to worry about running out of room.” Grandpa’s words of wisdom that I will never forget. It’s a great example of his sense of humor and his wealth of practical knowledge. He was a big part of my life going as far back as I can remember and for that I am very grateful. He had so many great stories and there was a lot that I learned from him. He is in too many of my memories to count. I love him and I’m going to miss him dearly, but I will continue to cherish those memories, where he continues to live on.

June 2 at 5:36 AM

SK

Scott Knight posted:

Patti-We are so sorry for your loss. Jimme led a fascinating life. I enjoyed talking to him and listening to all the stories he had about aviation. I also respected his intellect and wit. He will be missed. Jimme we know you are free from pain and suffering and are flying with the Eagles. Love Scott & Becky

May 19 at 5:38 AM

NM

Njeri Mbure posted:

I met papa Jim as I loved to call him a few months ago, and to me, he was Santa Claus with the nicest heart and the coolest stories. He was fun to be around, I remember his stories fondly, he will be missed dearly. In God's arms you rest and we have gained an angel 🕊️. You left an impact in many people's lives, your memories will forever be cherished.

May 8 at 4:58 PM

DK

Darla Kinsey posted:

I always enjoyed playing 'facetime pandemic' with Patti. Even more special were the times Jim joined us. His stories and humorous quips kept us in stitches. I would be on Amazon videos and YouTube for days right after a facetime session! Jim; thanks for living your Dash!

<https://thedashpoem.com/>

May 6 at 2:18 PM



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Jenna Lutz posted:

Grandpa Jim is going to be missed so much by his grandkids. We had so much fun every time we came out to Ohio to see him. I have fond memories of going to the Air Force museum with him. If it weren't for him I wouldn't have been introduced to aviation, and for that I am so thankful. He had a great sense of humor too, that I won't forget!

May 6 at 7:26 AM

GL

Greg Lutz posted:

Dad, you will be missed as a father and grandfather. I'm glad we had a shared passion for aviation. I've never met anyone who knew more about airplanes than you and enjoyed our long talks on the subject. Though I can no longer look forward to coming out to Ohio to see you with the kids, I have many happy memories of having done so in the past. The kids used to really look forward to seeing Grandpa and Grandma. I hope your trip west is full of blue sky and tailwinds.

May 6 at 5:27 AM

DO

Dori posted:

Jimme could sure tell a story! As soon as he got that twinkle in his eye, you knew he was setting up to entertain us! And did he ever! But aside from missing his humor and his stories, which I never knew if they were true or not, I will miss seeing the love and tenderness he had for every boxer that darkened the doorstep! I don't believe I have ever seen a man with so much compassion for dogs. After knowing Jimme, I think it's safe to say Jimme was every dog's best friend. He just had a way with those four legged creatures. I suspect he already has some boxers on his lap in heaven.

May 5 at 6:06 PM

PL

Patricia Knight-Lutz posted:

My hubs Jimme, you were one heck of an amazing man. I don't think I'll ever meet another with your sense of humor or the crazy life stories. I miss you but know you're in a better place and one day - hopefully not too soon, I'll be there with you and all of our human and fur baby family members. You now know true love that only Jesus can provide.

May 5 at 5:03 PM



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Phill Julie posted:

I will miss Jim's sense of humor. He always made me laugh. I so appreciate the way he took care of sister Patti by shining her shoes ironing her navy uniforms and cleaning the house. They made a great team. I will never forget him getting ice cream for our girls from the ice cream truck, his into to Bombay Gin Sapphire. Talking via FaceTime to Jamison. So many memories and Love to share. I learned so much watching my sister Patti take care of him these last years. Her unconditional love and kindness was amazing. Every has a purpose. He changes the works in so many ways. Thanks for being my brother in law, and treating g me and my family like ur own. U ate so missed. \ud83d\udc95

May 5 at 5:03 PM



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