

Obituary

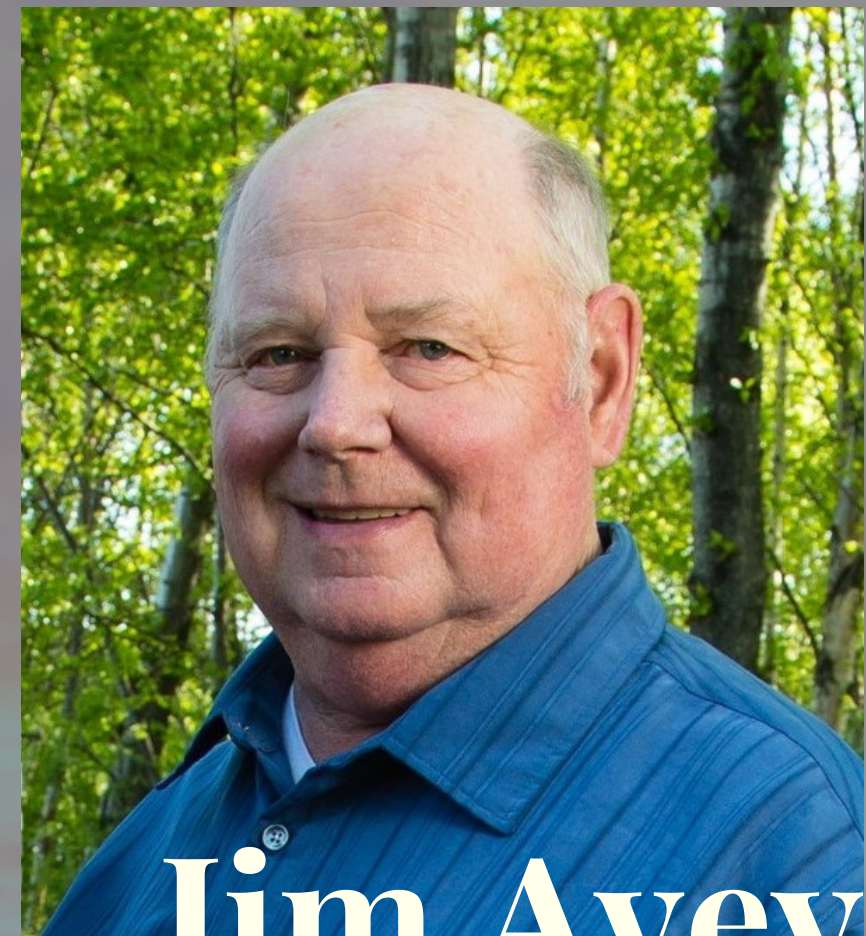
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James "Jim" David Avey, Jr., 74 died from vascular dementia and complications of stroke on January 6th, 2021 at home in Anchorage surrounded by family. Jim was born August 9, 1946 in Berkeley, Calif. His family drove to Anchorage in 1951, settling in Bootlegger's Cove.

Jim graduated from West High in '64, trade school as a carpet layer, and drafted into the Army in '68. Once discharged, he wandered the world. He lived on a houseboat in Amsterdam, in a cave in the Canary Islands, and in a treehouse at Taylor Camp on Kauai. He eventually came home to Alaska, where he built a cabin in Hope.

In 1976, he joined the Unification Church and met his beloved wife, Donna, in 1979. Through church mission work, Jim supported the Joshua House Children's Centre, an orphanage in Guyana. He continued to work as a carpet layer until developing kidney failure. In between dialysis treatments he delivered for Hummel's Flowers. After receiving a transplant, he spent time with his grandkids, served free coffee outside his downtown home, and traveled with Donna.

He is survived by wife of 38 years, Donna; son, Jaedon Avey (Adrian); daughter, Jaena Tranberg (David Kojin), all of Anchorage; his daughter Ursula Rochté of Costa Rica; his grandchildren, Michael, Martha, Kona, Sarah, Jeffery, Aaron, David, and Steven; his great grandson, Kai; his sister Andrea McGovern of Hawaii; nephews, Joshua, Christopher, and Nathan; his step-daughter Heather Lewis (John) of Texas; grandsons, David, Hilton, and Lyle; and his cousin Kay (Mike) of Kansas. He is preceded in death by his parents, James David, Sr. and Bettye Lou Avey (née Wentworth).



Jim Avey

IN LOVING MEMORY
AUGUST 9, 1946-JANUARY 6, 2021

SEONGHWA CEREMONY
JANUARY 10, 2021 @ 10AM

Evergreen Memorial Chapel
737 E St Anchorage, AK 99501

ZOOM ID: 312 677 5852 Password: funeral



Family Photoshoot, Fall 2019



Jaena's High School Graduation, Summer 2003

*"In our family, we should live by God's True Love
which is at the very center of the universe."*

-Reverend Sun Myung Moon



Grandpa Jim & Mikey, Summer 2015

Seonghwa Ceremony

James David Avey, Jr

OPENING REMARKS

REVEREND EUGENE HARNETT

HYMN

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

PRAYER

REVEREND EUGENE HARNETT

MUSICAL TRIBUTE

MARTY BECKWITH

JIM'S STORY

JAEDON AVEY

SEONGHWA ADDRESS

REVEREND EUGENE HARNETT

TESTIMONIES

DR. FRED RISCH

CODY EPPERSON

DANA CARROS

FAMILY

VIDEO TRIBUTE

CLOSING REMARKS

REVEREND EUGENE HARNETT

BENEDICTION

DANA CARROS

This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas--
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world:
He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass, I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world:
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world:
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let Earth be glad!

Maltbie D. Babcock (1901)