



James A Holcomb

March 9, 1934 - August 3, 2017

James A. Holcomb (“Jim”), a long-time resident of Gary and Merrillville, passed away on August 3, 2017, in Brighton, Michigan. Born in Saginaw, Michigan in 1934, Jim graduated from Saginaw Arthur Hill High School and Flint Community College, and entered the Army to serve during the Korean outbreak. While in the Army, he met and married Dorothy (Glassford) in 1954, who preceded him in death in 2012 after 58 years of marriage.

Jim graduated from the University of Michigan in 1958 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Education and in 1961 with a Law Degree from the University of Michigan Law School. He joined the law firm now known as Lucas, Holcomb & Medrea practicing in business law, banking law, health care law and municipal law.

Jim was an active member of the Indiana State Bar Association and served both on its Board of Directors and as President. He received many awards and recognitions during his legal career. He was instrumental in forming the Munster Community Hospital in the mid 1960’s and served as its legal counsel until his retirement. He volunteered time in the service of his community throughout his lifetime, and made significant and meaningful contributions to local, state and national causes and organizations.

Jim’s interests included family, serving people in need and, always, social

gatherings with friends. He loved Dorothy, Lake Michigan, his numerous and dynamic friends, and a perfectly timed joke. He took pride in his children and grandchildren, his colleagues, his law firm, and his extended community. Always a loving husband, father and grandfather, hard-working and adept lawyer, dedicated friend, caring volunteer, and natural comic -- Jim was a skilled story-teller who leaves behind an inspiring life story.

Jim leaves many to honor his memory and celebrate his legacy, including his children Pamela Holcomb (Kevin) Holloway; Michael (Crissy) Holcomb; Mark (Wendy) Holcomb; Robert (Sandra) Holcomb; twelve (12) grandchildren, sister Carla Maynard, and more friends and extended family than can be listed here.

Friends and family are invited to a celebration of Jim Holcomb's life at noon on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at the Innsbrook Country Club. In lieu of flowers, his family encourages those who would like to honor Jim's memory to donate in his name to Cerebral Palsy of Northwest Indiana, 22 Tyler Street, Hobart, IN 46342. Burns Funeral Home entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com