



James Wendell Davis

March 31, 1961 - May 5, 2026

James Wendell Davis, age 65, of St. Augustine, FL, passed away peacefully on May 5, 2026 at the Bailey Family Center for Caring with his family by his side. Born to Wendell and Joyce Davis on March 31, 1961, in Baxley, GA, James grew up in Brunswick, Georgia. He was a graduate of Brunswick High School's Class of 1979.

After high school, James joined the U.S. Air Force and proudly serving his country as aircraft mechanic. Upon his discharge, he moved to Patterson, Georgia, and eventually settled in St. Augustine, Florida, in 2004. For 20 years, he worked as a technician at Baker Pest Control, where he was well-loved by his customers and found great joy in his work.

James met the love of his life, Julie Merrefield, while attending a service at Christ Church in Jacksonville. They married on November 9, 2023, after sharing over 21 wonderful years together. James was the best husband, son, father, brother and friend that anyone could ask for. He especially cherished his role as a "girl dad" to his daughter, Anné, and learned to enjoy having his fingernails painted.

James was always the class clown and the life of any party. He had a great sense of humor and brightened every room that he entered. Even facing a terminal illness, he entertained his fellow patients and the nurses and doctors

who were caring for him.

James' life was characterized by integrity and he was a steady presence to those around him. He loved God, his family, and his friends and he left a lasting impact on everyone he encountered. He enjoyed fishing and he was an Avid Georgia Bulldog fan.

James was preceded in death by his parents, Wendell and Joyce Davis. He is survived by his wife, Julie Davis and his daughter Anne' Davis of St. Augustine; brother, Kenny Davis of Anderson, SC; mother in law, Jackie Jewell of Ft. Myers, FL.; father in law, Steve Merrefield (Brenda) of Stone Mountain, Ga.; brother in law, Keith Merrefield (Kelly) of Plano, Texas; nieces and nephews, Danielle, Erik, Krystle, Andrew, Zach, Scott, Tisha, and many cousins. He is also survived by his beloved Australian Shepherd, Gracie.

Services with military honors will be held at 11 am on Saturday, May 16, 2026 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Rev. John Fletcher officiating. A visitation will be held from 5 to 7 pm on Friday, May 15, 2026 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations in James' memory can be made to: Community Hospice of NE Florida, 4266 Sunbeam Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32257.

Those unable to attend the service may watch the live-stream by going to: <http://iframe.dacast.com/live/2a7a09ae1c0559a83ef537e05e6a14a6/0d926f14-3fd3-923f-c556-1f0bb777106f>.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 SR 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 824-1625
<https://www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

MAY 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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385 SR 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084
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Tribute Wall

CF

“ We met James through Baker Pest Control. He was a true Christian gentleman / believer in the Lord Jesus Christ. We always looked forward to his visits to our home as our bug man but more as our friend. We shared many stories of the pets we've owned, politics of the world, etc. Our late Blue Heeler, Moses would follow him around trying to get another treat.

We are sad we missed the service since we just found out today (May 27th) of his passing.

A true Christian friend that we know for a fact we will see him again in Heaven.

Charles & Patricia Foust

Charles & Patricia Fout - Yesterday at 12:13 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Wendell Davis.



May 14 at 11:46 AM



“ 9 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - May 12 at 03:16 PM

MF

“ *Mary Fulda purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of James Wendell Davis.*



Mary Fulda - May 11 at 06:43 PM

MF

“ *Mary Fulda planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Wendell Davis.*

Mary Fulda - May 11 at 06:43 PM



“ 54 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - May 11 at 03:04 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of James Wendell Davis.



May 11 at 12:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of James Wendell Davis.



May 11 at 11:56 AM

ND

“ Thinking of you and sending you comfort and love. I am so thankful I was able to know James and see the love you two shared. I am so sorry for your loss my sweet friend.

Nicole Dayhoff - May 11 at 10:10 AM

JS

“ Prayers of strength, comfort and God's peace to be over each of the family.
Jennifer

Jennifer Smith - May 11 at 07:05 AM

JA

“ Julie, Bryse, Grace and Brent Albright purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of James Wendell Davis.



Julie, Bryse, Grace and Brent Albright - May 07 at 10:30 PM

JA

“ Julie, Bryse, Grace and Brent Albright planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Wendell Davis.

Julie, Bryse, Grace and Brent Albright - May 07 at 10:30 PM

RM

“ So sorry to hear this. James was my bug man for many years and will be sorely missed. He always had treats for my dogs when he came to visit and they'd follow him around as he sprayed my house.

Randy Moore - May 07 at 08:25 PM