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James "Snooky" Manning passed away on July 11, 2022 in Houston, TX. He was 82 years of age. Born at home in Madisonville, TX on the 26th of December, 1939 to Buck and Carrie Manning. Jim graduated from Madisonville High School in 1958 where he lettered in football, basketball, and baseball. He was All-District on the High School football team.

In 1960, Jim graduated from Blinn College where he was a Captain of the football team. He began working for his brother Max on seismic land crews while attending Sam Houston State College. He graduated in 1965 with a double major in Physical Education and Business.

Across his 49 year career in seismic exploration, Jim was able to travel the world and work for a variety of companies. He spent nearly 20 years with Geophysical Services Incorporated. He then went on to join Ackerman & Associates where he was ultimately named partner before returning to GSI under new ownership. Jim retired in 2009, the same year as his son graduated from law school.

Jim spent his retirement alongside wife Sue whom he met at GSI in 1972 and

married two years later. In 1982 they welcomed son, Matt. In August they would have celebrated 48 years of marriage.

Jim loved spending time with his family and friends. He was a die-hard Dallas Cowboys fan and never wavered in his support nor missed a game. He loved to eat and cook. He was a master of both the grill and smoker.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, and his brothers Glynn and Max Manning. He is survived by his wife Susan Manning, his son Matt Manning and wife, Kelly. He is also survived by his grandchildren Brennan and Savannah Manning as well as numerous nieces and nephews. The family wishes to express their gratitude to Mary Lofton of Mimi's Caring Angels for her faithful care of Jim during his final year.

A celebration of life will occur at First Baptist Church of Madisonville, TX on Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. with a reception to follow. Visitation will precede the services beginning at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be directed to The American Heart Association or charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Madisonville Cemetery

711 W. Trinity St.
Madisonville, TX 77964

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church Madisonville
300 South Elm St.
Madisonville, TX 77864
<https://madisonvillefbc.org/>

Funeral Service

JUL 20. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

JUL 20. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *He was a good man with a loving heart.*

Mary Gresham - March 05 at 11:56 AM



“ *He was such an athlete in high school, so I knew of him because of that. My grandmother worked with his mother. Condolences to all who cared.*

Laura Cannon - August 23, 2022 at 09:43 AM



“ *James 'Snooky' Manning*

July 20, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Sue, Matt and family. I have such fond memories of Jim. You are in my prayers and thoughts.💔*

Terry Collins - July 20, 2022 at 12:14 AM



“ *Sue, you are in my thoughts and prayers as you mourn the loss of your beloved Jim. My condolences to you, Matt and the rest of your family.*

- Debbie Reichert (TGS)

Debbie Reichert - July 19, 2022 at 07:28 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of James 'Snooky' Manning.*



July 18, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ *Sue, Matt and family I'm so sorry to learn of Jim's passing. It's never easy saying good bye to someone so loved. May all the find memories you shared keep him alive in your hearts.*

Peggy Winters - July 18, 2022 at 02:38 PM