



Marshall James "Jim" Hemberry

September 5, 2025

Marshall James "Jim" Hemberry, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, community leader, and friend, went to be with the Lord on Friday, September 5, 2025, after a brief battle with pancreatitis. He was 74 years old.

Jim was born in Wenatchee, Washington, in 1950 and grew up in Cashmere and Peshastin. After graduating from high school, he faithfully served his country in the United States Air Force from 1973–1978. It was during his service that he met the love of his life, Nanette Doherty. The two married in 1973, beginning a marriage of 52 years filled with devotion, faith, and joy.

Jim and Nanette made their home in Quincy in 1978, where Jim quickly became a fixture of the community. He worked for GTE, which later became Verizon, until his retirement in 2009. Alongside his career, Jim poured his life into his family and community, serving as a Cub Scout pack leader, coaching Little League baseball, and coaching youth basketball. He was a man of steady encouragement who loved to see young people grow and thrive.

Jim also gave decades of leadership to his city. He served on the Quincy City Council from 1992–1995 and 2001–2007, before being elected mayor in 2007. For ten years, until 2017, he faithfully led the city during a time of tremendous change. Under his leadership, Quincy evolved into a hub where "agriculture meets technology," attracting five major tech companies—including Microsoft

and Yahoo!—that brought data centers and greatly expanded the local tax base. This growth funded major civic improvements, including a new library, fire station, and plans for a new police station and city hall.

Mayor Hemberry also championed public safety and community trust. He helped secure cutting-edge crime-detecting technology such as Washington's first ShotSpotter system, invested in infrastructure, and worked with police to build stronger relationships with the city's rapidly growing Hispanic community through

bilingual town halls and outreach. Known for his accessibility and his heart for people, Jim embodied servant leadership in every sphere of life.

Beyond his work, Jim was a man of deep faith and many passions. He loved fishing, cheering on the Seattle Mariners and Seahawks, and watching Gonzaga basketball. More than anything, he loved his family. His greatest joy was being a husband, dad, and "grandpa" to his growing family, and he was most content when surrounded by those he loved.

Jim is survived by his wife Nanette; their children Greg Hemberry, Scott and Nikki Hemberry, and Chris and Kaydi Hemberry; and their grandchildren: Bradley Hemberry, Joey and Marissa Hamlik (and their children Juliette and Brooks), Matt and Regan Schwartz (and their children Warren and Madelyn), Josh and Alicia Bate (and their son Harry), Blake and Nataleigh Beltran, Jadyn Hemberry, Logan and Halle Dellis, and Lauren Hemberry. He is also survived by his sister Judy (Gary) Grams and his brothers Ron (Kathi) Hemberry and Ken (Liz) Hemberry. He was preceded in moving to heaven by his parents, Don and Kathryn Hemberry.

Jim leaves behind a legacy of steady leadership, kindness, and generosity. He served his family with devotion, his community with vision, and his friends with

loyalty. His life was marked by a commitment to making Quincy and the lives of those around him better, and his impact will be felt for generations to come.

Memorial Service & Remembrance Information

A Celebration of Life for Jim will be held on Friday, September 12, 2025, at 1:00 PM at Quincy Free Methodist Church, located at 301 I Street SW, Quincy, WA 98848. All who loved him and those whose lives were touched by his service are warmly invited to attend.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial gifts be made in Jim's honor to support FMWM-Asia/ICCM through Foothill Community Church. Gifts can be made online at the following link:

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Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guestbook at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements by Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **12.** 1:00 PM (PT)

Quincy Free Methodist Church
301 I Street SW
Quincy, WA 98848

Tribute Wall

LC

“ Dear Nanette. I learned today from Alan of Jim’s passing. I know how you must be suffering and write to offer my deepest condolences. Jim was a great guy and a superb community leader and the two of you were great together. Again, I am so sorry, Nanette.

Lew Card

lewis Card - October 01, 2025 at 12:41 AM



“ Nanette,

May you have peace remembering all you've shared and created together. Your husband was a good man doing good things.

~Tami Howe Henderson

Tami Henderson - September 20, 2025 at 02:58 PM

DF

“ So sorry to hear of Jim's passing, he really was one of the good ones. I'll always be grateful for Jim's leadership and for often being the voice of reason on the Quincy City Council. He loved his family and community and only wanted the best for everyone. Our condolences to Nanette and the rest of the Hemberry family. RIP Jim!

-Dan & Renae Frazier

Dan Frazier - September 10, 2025 at 02:37 PM

BF

“ Jim and I were neighbors and friends through our school years. He and I hiked to many lakes in the Icicle Drainage, especially Colchuck and Eight Mile lakes. Colchuck was especially visited near the 4th of July, normally ice free and fishable. We also spent many hours fishing and swimming in Peshastin Creek and the Wenatchee River. During the summer, we normally slept outside staring at the stars and running around in the dark. I remember the games of hide and seek, kick the can and shooting hoops in his barn.

I have lots of memories and it sounds like he created many for the youth of Quincy and his family. As some say, "See you on the other side".

Bob Foster - September 10, 2025 at 05:57 AM