



## James Wesley Preble

June 5, 1945 - August 12, 2019

James (Jim) Preble, 74, of Cheney, died unexpectedly on August 12th. He was born in Minnesota, moving to Casper, Wyoming when he was in his early teens. He was active in scouting, achieving Eagle Scout, and an accomplished rock climber in an era of very sketchy equipment. He worked as a surveyor while pursuing his degree in Civil Engineering at the University of Wyoming, where he met his wife Kathy. Unfortunately, she moved to Denver after her graduation, so Jim followed and finished his degree at the University of Colorado. As an engineer, he worked in Denver and Grand Junction Colorado, prior to moving to Cheney, eventually starting his own business. Jim loved doing anything involving the outdoors, especially fishing and camping. He was very involved in his daughter's lives, being one of the first male girl scout leaders for his daughter's troop. He also coached their softball and soccer teams. He enjoyed bowling, and met many wonderful friends during his years of league bowling. He and Kathy enjoyed traveling, and crossed Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and Central America off their bucket list. Jim is survived by his wife Kathy of 51 years, daughters Carissa of Denver, CO, and Jennifer of Spokane, mother Dore, brother Kevin, (Carol), and sister Rendi, (Jim). Jim is preceded in death by his father Wesley, and brother Al. A memorial service will be held at Cheney Funeral Chapel on August 31st, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 31. 11:00 AM (PT)

Cheney Funeral Chapel  
1632 W 1st St.  
Cheney, WA 99004  
(509) 235-2992  
<https://www.cheneyfuneral.com/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ So many memories...where to start??? I think I would have to say one of the most meaningful memory would have to be shortly after my mom passed away. My dad was working (railroad) so he was out of the state. I had car trouble. I remember thinking; “Now what?? You are all alone? Who is going to help you now?” Shortly after the phone rang, it was Carissa. She was calling to see what I was up too. I told her what was going on. Carissa asked if she could call back and I said sure. She called right back and said; “my dad is on his way over.” I remember a big relief came over me...I thought to myself; “Guess you’re not alone!”



To Mom, Carissa, Jen and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Just remember you are never alone! You just have one more angel looking down on you and still protecting you.

Love,  
Mariann

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Mariann KW - August 26, 2019 at 11:46 PM

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“ I met Jim and Kathy when Jim's brother Al and I were married. We have kept in touch with each other for over 45 years via cards at Christmas.I got to meet my niece Carissa less than a year ago for the first time. To Carissa and Jennifer, Kevin and Rendi and maybe especially Dore, my sincerest sympathy at this time of loss  
Sincerely, Sharon (Chambers-Preble) Kerns

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Sharon Kerns - August 26, 2019 at 02:28 PM

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*I want to separately acknowledge Kathy. Having lost my husband, I know how difficult this time can be. Praying for God's peace for you. And look for my card at Christmas. Love, Sharon*

**Sharon Kerns** - August 26, 2019 at 02:32 PM

MC

“ *His design if the Bristol Plaza*

**Michelle charbonneau** - August 26, 2019 at 12:08 PM