



## Jim Lane Squires

April 3, 1942 - January 30, 2024

Jim Squires passed away Tuesday January 30, 2024 in the Billings Clinic Hospital. He was born April 3, 1942 in Glendive, MT and was raised on the family farm near Bloomfield, MT.

His early education was in Glendive public schools followed by two years at Dickinson State Teachers College in Dickinson, ND. He transferred to UofM in Missoula and completed BA degrees in Mathematics and Physical Sciences. He student taught at Victor, Montana.

Following graduation from the University of Montana in 1966 he served two years as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Northeastern Brazil where he worked in community development and education.

Jim married Creuza Alves Melo March 19, 1968 while in Pao de Acucar Brazil. Together they returned to the US where Jim taught high school math in Circle, Montana for one year before returning to full time farming at Bloomfield until his retirement in 2008.

Jim's spirit of adventure included traveling, motorcycles, photography, fishing, canoe trips, outdoors, public speaking, teaching, preaching, and never meeting a stranger.

Jim served his community through his work on many local, state and national committees, boards and associations including: Montana Wheat and Barley Committee; Wheat Marketing Center Board at Portland; Northern Crops Institute Board at NDSU in Fargo; U.S. Wheat Associates of Washington D.C., Dawson County ASCS Committee, Western Christian College board of

directors in Dauphin, Manitoba, Montana Extension Advisory Council (MEAC), Montana Agricultural Experiment Station Advisory Council (MAES). Jim served on the CEDAR Foundation (Christian fund raising) and the Dawson County Educational Foundation (scholarship fund raising), the Northern Pulse Growers Board of Directors. Leadership Glendive, the board of directors for The Friends of Christian Radio, KGLE.

Jim taught Farm and Ranch Management at Dawson College for nine years. He was actively involved in several Toastmasters speaking clubs. Jim preached at the Church of Christ in Glendive from May 2001.

Jim loved languages and was fluent in Portuguese, spoke Spanish and French reasonably well and read German.

Jim is survived by his wife Creuza of Glendive, sons Daniel Squires and his wife Dalana of McKinney TX, Thomas Squires and his wife Lori of Piedmont, OK; his six grandchildren, Montana Squires and his wife Christy of Garland TX, Shawnee Jones and husband Tanner Jones of Little Elm TX, Sam Squires and Josiah Squires of McKinney TX, Corbin Squires and his wife Kaelyn Squires of Piedmont OK and Carter Squires of Piedmont OK; two great grandchildren Ezra Forrest Jones and Tobias Daniel Jones; sisters Sandra Squires of Omaha NE and Susan Squires Remmich of Billings MT, nephews Michael Boland, Seth Remmich and Dean Remmich and Paulo Paes, nieces Tatiana Boland, Daniela Ibrahimi and Ieda Paula Paes; and many other family members living in Brazil.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, February 8, 2024 at the Church of Christ in Glendive with Pastor Bill Goben officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: [www.silhafuneralhomes.com](http://www.silhafuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB 8. 11:00 AM (MT)

Church of Christ  
1111 South Sargent Avenue  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Tribute Wall

AM

“ *Someone so special can never be forgotten. The loss of someone dear to us is never easy, please accept my deepest condolences. Jim's impact will be forever missed and remembered.*

Angela Meisman - March 26, 2024 at 12:47 PM

JH

“ *Condolences to the Squires family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Jack Hanson - March 04, 2024 at 05:44 AM

MA

“ *RIP my dear friend Jim 🙏*

*Follow your path of light now in another dimension. You will never be forgotten. Good father, good husband, good brother, good son, good friend. A good man. Helped everyone who could help. He was very generous with everyone and lived following God's laws. He will be greatly missed. He fulfilled his mission in this life, impeccably. I am grateful to God for the opportunity to spend time with Jim and Creuza, two wonderful friends, who welcomed me like a sister when I was in Glendive. Immense gratitude. We your friends, will miss you forever. (Maria de Fátima Azevedo)*

Maria de Fatima Azevedo - February 08, 2024 at 10:29 PM

TK

“ Terry Deb Knapp lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires



Terry & Deb Knapp - February 07, 2024 at 09:42 PM

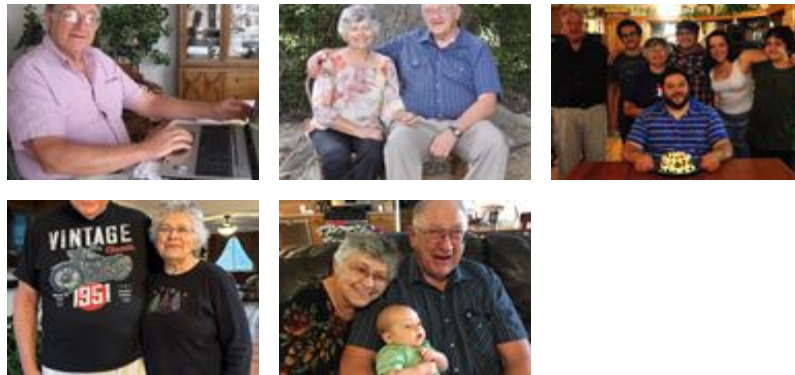
SB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing, Creuza! My deepest condolences. Please know that you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers during this time of mourning and transition. Sending much love your way!

Shannon (Holmes) Behounek - February 07, 2024 at 07:21 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Silha Funeral Home - February 07, 2024 at 12:16 PM

JG

“ Jim gave me my first Harley-Davis motorcycle ride. I spent a number of years riding a motorcycle and attending Strugis Rally and other rallies. To think all it started with Jim. He was a big kind giant of football player.

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**Judy Freeman Green** - February 07, 2024 at 10:47 AM

MK

“ Myrna Kintz lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires



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**Myrna Kintz** - February 06, 2024 at 06:15 PM

LS

“ My condolences to the Squires family during this difficult time. Thoughts and prayers to them from Oklahoma City.

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**Lance Schmidt** - February 06, 2024 at 02:49 PM

AD

“ I last visited with Jim and Creuza at a DCHS reunion in Billings. The conversation is memorable because it reminded me...again...what kind and caring people they are. Jim took care of everyone he came in contact with, and we all benefitted from his efforts. This member of the DCHS class of 1960 thanks both Jim and Creuza and wishes you peace as the days unfold.  
Alice MacDonald Down

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**Alice Down** - February 06, 2024 at 11:23 AM



“ Jim was one of the most innovative and conservation minded farmers I have ever known. His farming practices showed his stewardship of the land and he readily shared his knowledge and experience throughout the region. He brought a lot of leadership to many agricultural organizations both state and nationwide. He shared his strong values in all that he did and in later years provided christian leadership in our community. God bless his memory and our sympathy and blessings to his family.

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**Mike Carlson** - February 06, 2024 at 12:00 AM



“ Rest in peace Jim. Jim and I spent many a Toastmasters meetings together, as well as Christmas parties every year for our Toastmasters club. I always enjoyed Jim's stories. We closed our Toastmasters club down 2 weeks before Jack Larson another long time member of the club died. Now Jim. Sure glad we did. It was an 80 year run.  
I will miss Jim and Creuza visiting with both was such a joy.

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**Linda Wolff** - February 05, 2024 at 10:29 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Creuza and the family. I heartily enjoyed getting to know Jim through Toastmasters. He will be missed by many.

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**Kathy Rightmire** - February 05, 2024 at 03:18 PM

RW

“ Jim's last two speeches; Nov 9, 2023 about his friend Jack Larson's passing. They were members of Club 239 which had made 80 years. It was touching with his descriptive words "he connected to your soul" when he spoke and he "made you feel significant". Jim noticed that in Jack Larson, because that is exactly everything Jim would do for his fellow Toastmasters! May you both meet in heaven! Dec. 7, 2023, speech titled "Diagnosis". Jim shared "this is hard to talk about". He went in the following week and had an angioplasty, clearing blood vessel blockage. This gave us all two more months in Toastmasters to share with Jim. May we meet again some day Jim. God Bless you and "Thank You" for being a part of my Toastmaster life! Roy Wilcox, member of Mitchell, SD Club 495.

Roy D Wilcox - February 05, 2024 at 12:36 PM

MH

“ Prayers for Jim's family. He was so helpful to me when Doc died.

Mona Humphrey - February 05, 2024 at 12:06 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jim Lane Squires.



February 05, 2024 at 10:26 AM

LS

“ Love's Travel Stops planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jim Lane Squires.

Love's Travel Stops - February 05, 2024 at 10:26 AM



“ *A wonderful big soul and bright light. I will miss him. Sincere sympathies to his family and friends. A special man.*

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**Barb Whitmer** - February 05, 2024 at 01:03 AM



“ *With prayers Shawn & Christine Eggar purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jim Lane Squires.*



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**With prayers Shawn & Christine Eggar** - February 04, 2024 at 04:26 PM



“ *What a great man- my condolences to the family. I enjoyed speaking with him over various Toastmaster sessions and functions. Such great stories and a positive look on life. He will be missed for sure!*

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**Teresa Grayson** - February 04, 2024 at 03:53 PM



“ *Jim and Creuza were special people. Kind, gentle and loving. Prayers for Creuza and family. RIP Jim. You are with our dear Lord and a lot of good people.*

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**Lory Heltemes** - February 04, 2024 at 04:13 AM

AA

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jim's death. Over many years I enjoyed visiting with him, serving on a couple of committees with him and sensing his real enjoyment of life. His life was good because God is good -- all the time. He will be missed in the community as a forward thinker and a man with a strong sense of community.

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**Avis Anderson** - February 03, 2024 at 09:32 PM

TH

“ I had Jim as a teacher at DCC. I also visited with him at the KGLE meetings. He was very fun to visit with. Prayers for comfort for you all.

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**Troy and JoDee Hess** - February 03, 2024 at 06:20 PM

MO

“ Monica lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires



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**Monica** - February 03, 2024 at 06:05 PM

DM

“ Condolences and prayers to Creuza and all of Jim's family. He will be missed by many!

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**Debbie and Greg McGovern** - February 03, 2024 at 03:30 PM

RH

“ Dear Creuza. My thoughts and prayers to you and your families in the loss of your Jim. God and His angels hold you close.

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**Rita Hanley** - February 03, 2024 at 12:03 PM

SM

“ *Many prayers for the family....warm hugs*



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**Sharon Meeds** - February 03, 2024 at 07:16 AM

BH

“ *I am so, so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. Betty "Betz" Buck Thornton*

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**BettyT hornton** - February 03, 2024 at 07:05 AM

NK

“ *I am so sad to hear about Jim's passing away. I have fond memories of him and being in Toastmasters with him. I learned so much from him, from learning to speak in public, how to manage life, how important one's faith is to them. My sympathy of your earthly journey with Jim has ended but I know his heavenly journey will be amazing!*



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**NANCY KORB** - February 02, 2024 at 10:58 PM

VR

“ *To Jim's family.. I'm so sorry for your loss.. He was such a kinda man.. and helped me get my Brazilian Green Card years ago.. since then.. became naturalized. He made a very overwhelming situation to me .. and walked me thru it.. I will forever be grateful for his help. Vally Rohde.*

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**vally Rohde** - February 02, 2024 at 06:32 PM

ST

“ RIP



Stacey - February 02, 2024 at 04:44 PM

GS

“ Condolences to the family of Jim Squirers. Jim will be greatly missed.  
I enjoyed being in Toastmasters with Jim for many years. A lot of good memories.  
George Skerritt

George Skerritt - February 02, 2024 at 01:34 PM

LD

“ Linda Deines lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires



Linda Deines - February 02, 2024 at 01:15 PM

GS

God bless the family

George r squires - February 03, 2024 at 08:04 PM

MM

“ *Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires*



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**Marla McCormick** - February 02, 2024 at 11:52 AM

BK

“ *Bonita Keel lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires*



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**Bonita Keel** - February 02, 2024 at 11:23 AM

KF

“ *Thoughts and prayers!*



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**K Pulse Family** - February 02, 2024 at 10:58 AM

CH

“ *To Jim's family: I personally did not know him but he came to visit my son Don while in the Sidney Hospital from cancer.and brought him a older computer to use while there. What a blessing he was to everyone. RIP in Jim Fly High with the Angels, God Bless You Carol Hanson*



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**Carol Hanson** - February 01, 2024 at 10:16 PM

CH

“ Carol Hanson sent a virtual gift in memory of Jim Squires



Carol Hanson - February 01, 2024 at 10:09 PM

JB

“ Jim Alice Bachmeier lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires



Jim and Alice Bachmeier - February 01, 2024 at 08:07 PM

MH

“ sorry to hear of another classmate”s passing. prayers and comfort to Jim”s family.



Maggie {Gartner} & George Holom - February 01, 2024 at 03:25 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jim Lane Squires.



February 01, 2024 at 01:37 PM

CA

“ Sorry sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Always enjoyed visiting with him. Prayers for Creuza & family. Darry & Candy Austby

Candy Austby - February 01, 2024 at 10:25 AM

PR

“ Jim was one of the kindest men I ever meet. My condolences!

Patty Reynolds - February 01, 2024 at 05:50 AM

BT

“ Squires Family I'm so sorry to hear of Jims passing!  
We will miss his ministries he shared with so many.  
RIP Jim you will have a throne next to God  
Becky Tipton

Becky Tipton - January 31, 2024 at 09:08 PM

JK

“ Jim Nancy Keller sent a virtual gift in memory of Jim Squires



Jim & Nancy Keller - January 31, 2024 at 07:42 PM

BS

“ RIP Jim, our thoughts and prayers are with you all!



Butch and Anita Spencer - January 31, 2024 at 07:17 PM

SW

“ Shirley Wolff lit a candle in memory of Jim Squires



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**Shirley Wolff** - January 31, 2024 at 06:39 PM

MG

“ Marlene Gehmert sent a virtual gift in memory of Jim Squires



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**Marlene Gehmert** - January 31, 2024 at 05:38 PM