James W. Holmes

December 7, 1939 - May 4, 2021

James Walter Holmes, age 81, passed away on May 4, 2021, in Zephyrhills, Florida. He was born in Royal Oak on December 7, 1939, to James and Eva Holmes. Jim was a graduate of Dondero High School, received his Bachelor's Degree from Wayne State University and Master's Degree at Michigan State University. Jim married Barbara Roberson June 20,1959. He and Barbara were longtime area residents and attended Sterling Heights United Methodist church where Jim was a proud member of the church choir before moving to Florida. They enjoyed summers at their cottage in Harrison, MI. Jim retired from Royal Oak School district where he was a teacher and guidance counselor for over thirty years. The couple visited Florida during the winter months ultimately settling in Zephyrhills during their retirement.

Beloved husband of Barbara Holmes. Loving father of Teri (Jack) Kachler and Scott (Tracey) Holmes. Proud grandfather of Krystal Kachler, Doug Kachler and the late Sara Kachler. Adam (Christina) Holmes, Jennifer (Doug) VanHouten, Thomas Holmes, Melissa (Roji) Alexander, Jeremy Hessler, Tommy Pickett and five great grandchildren. Funeral services were held in Florida. Private family burial at Oakview Cemetery, Royal Oak. Memorial contributions to Alzheimer's Association are appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Oakview Cemetery

1032 N. Main Street
(south of 12 Mile Road)
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Tribute Wall

Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of James W. Holmes.

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