



## James Christopher Stevenson

May 7, 1962 - September 30, 2013

James "Jimmy" Stevenson, age 51, of Azusa, CA, died September 30, 2013 at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He was born May 7, 1962 in New York City, NY. Jimmy was a member of the Screen Actors Guild and an active member of AA. He acted in several movies including, Fun with Dick and Jane and O Brother, Where Art Thou? He was a 1981 graduate of Grosse Pointe South. He was a kind and gentle man and a lover of nature. Most of all, Jimmy was a loving husband, father, son and brother. He is survived by his wife, Chitomi Stevenson; children, Jatomis, Joseph and Samuel Stevenson; mother, Sandra Thomas Krell; and siblings, Elizabeth Buchanan, Zip Stevenson, Star Stevenson, Scott Stevenson and Jerry Roach. There will be memorial visitation Friday 3-8 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. 4 blks. E of Woodward, Royal Oak. The family will receive friends Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. until the time of the memorial service 11 a.m. at St. David's Episcopal Church in Southfield. Memorials to the Hospices of Henry Ford or to the wishes of the family are appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ I read of James' passing with great sadness. He and Chitomi were a vital part of the Pasadena Boy Choir community. No concert could go on without them! He will be missed by countless PBC families forever.

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**Louise Brown** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ James was a great friend. I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. He was a true advocate for his fellow actors and a warm and wonderful human being. He truly gave meaning to the phrase "a gentle giant".

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**George Coe** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Jared and I were saddened to hear of Jame's passing. We knew James from the Pasadena Boy's Choir where my son Jared and Sammy, and the other choir boys created beautiful music. from our first meeting I knew immediately that James was a kind and loving person. And each encounter after that first one, he always had something nice to say. He would say "you should be in the movies" and I would laugh. At the winter and spring concerts I would always look forward to chatting with him at the receptions. Our hearts go out to all of his family, especially Sammy, as we know he will be dearly missed. God bless you James. Rest in peace. -Hunter Family

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**Bryan Hunter** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Dear Family, we are devastated by the news of James passing. We will be holding another memorial service in CA on October 20th. James was a wonderful caring man who was a dear friend to so many. The service will take place at the Garfield property James's second home over the years supporting his boys to find the beauty of music. Such a loyal and dedicated family. Our condolences to all of the family in Michigan. Joanne, The Pasadena Boys Choir School.

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**Joanne Dickson** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I am still trying to digest this tragic loss. Thank you to all for taking such courageous and loving care of our friend, as we knew him, James St. James. James was a warrior, a fierce friend, a kind, loyal, good man with a beautiful smile and a warm embrace. He always went beyond the call of duty, they just don't make 'em like that anymore. He truly was a gem of a guy and will be sorely missed. Peace Be With You.

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**Cynthia Steele** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ I just returned home from Jim's funeral service which was lovely. For some reason, I went into the back yard to check the filter on my pool - something I never do. I opened the lid and there was a little frog trapped and in the process of drowning. I like to think Jim was directing me there!

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**Anne Kuzma** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Jim had a pure and true appreciation of nature. I was so lucky to have him and Sammy to my house one afternoon, where he spent a great deal of time educating me on the plants in my own garden that I wasn't even aware of. He had a great bond with Sammy, and was a gentle and thoughtful man. What a beautiful soul. My thoughts and prayers are with J.T., Joseph and Sammy.

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**Anne Kuzma** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ If you can die of a broken heart, I don't know how I'm still here. Words cannot express the grief I feel. For eleven years, James was my committee buddy, partner in crime, protector, jester, and dear friend. I will miss him the rest of my life. Thank you to the family that helped shape such an awesome man! Thank you, Chitomi, for always loving him and supporting him in all his many colors. May God continue to keep and sustain all of you. Love to J.T., Joseph, and especially my little Sammy! James St. James will be with us always. Fondest regards.

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**Cupid Hayes** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ Dear Stevenson Family, Our family was saddened to hear of your great loss. Know that we will be in prayer for your family. We love Beth so much and if Jimmy was even a little like her, the world will definitely feel the loss of his presence. May God be near you in your time of loss. Sincerely, The O'Meara-Abbott family The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18

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**Laurie O'Meara** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ We are so very sorry to this shocking fact about James. He was such a sweet, caring person. And he was a great friend. Wishing his family in Michigan and LA. love and hugs to everyone. Carole Elliott and Elliot Ghertner

Carole Elliott//Elliot Ghertne - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Dear Annie- G, Thank you so very much for your kind words. Our family appreciates your support. Love to you, Beth - St. James sister And, Yes...he was an Earth Angel - and now he is back as our heavenly angel.

Beth Buchanan - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear 2tall4u, Thank you so much for your beautiful kind words. They are a comfort to us at this time. I am his sister. The car accident happened on Aug. 26th. He started to talk about a week later, due to the nature of the head injury of course many of the things he said were mixed up....We would ask him, "Jim, do you know where you are?" One of his answers was, "Well Yes, I am in the board room of the Screen Actors Guild." He was so proud to be a member of SAG.

Beth Buchanan - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thank you Peaches! Love, Jame's sister, Beth

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AN

“ St James was a true "Earth Angel"if there ever was one! He was a dear friend to me and so many others. I am grateful for the 15 years we shared Committee work, the Wild Bunch and the 2000 Strike...and just to have him as a friend all these years. I know he is in Heaven watching over us all. Miss you StJames...PEACE~Annie-G

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**annie-G** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ James St James, is one of the guys that showed up, I always called him Crazy James St James,I'll always remember James and his big black jacket! My respect came from all his hard work helping actors 2000

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**Peaches Johnson** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

2T

“ I knew James from his board service at Screen Actors Guild and his volunteer service at all of the Host Committee events. James was a gentle giant that always greeted everyone with a smile and a hug. I was shocked as were all of us in the board room when we were notified of his passing. Wrapping the family in love and light during this sad time.

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**2tall4u** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ I am shocked and stunned! James was a total class act, and I was proud to be on the Screen Actors Guild National Board with him. No one fought harder for members' rights, honor and transparency in our union. He did it all with a gentle, quiet strength and was always ready with a hug. He was a solid "man's man" who stood up for what he believed in, which is rare in Hollywood. My heart goes out to his family and friends. What a terrible loss this is to the world. James, you will be missed. God bless you, my friend. xo

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**Barbara Niven** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Dear James! I was just looking at our photos from the Holiday Hosts Committee events. You were there in the beginning of this committee. I will never forget the six months we spent on the picket lines fighting for our union bra. We defied the odds and won. You were there when your union needed you the most. Your a hero Dude! You are in a better place my friend. You will be missed. Rest in peace!

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**De Wayne Williams** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ James was a great guy. Such a loyal, considerate, generous, affectionate, human being. He was a treasured friend to me, and anyone lucky enough to know him. I'm stunned by this unexpected news of his passing. I can still hear his gruff voice and happy laughter. I will never forget James. Wishing his family in Michigan love and comfort. My thoughts are also with Chitomi, J.T., Joseph, and Sammy.

**Brian Hamilton** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Jim was one of 38 grandchildren of Jim and Eunice Stevenson. I remember the special times when he and Beth would come out to the lake and he would catch salamanders and frogs but he was always set them free. Even as a young child he has such knowledge of all the critters and loved them all. Perhaps another St. Francis. I know he was so proud of his three sons and had such a love for our family. He joins my brother and His father James as the first to leave this huge family of ours. Rest now sweet Jim and please look after all our loved ones you are now joined with until we meet again. I Love you!! Uncle Gerry

**Gerry Stevenson** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Dear Stevenson family, I am remorseful about your loss and like to extend my deepest sympathy for your loved one James Stevenson. From personal expericnel know that the death of a love one causes pain and grief and sometimes it seems unbearable. The Scriptures contain comfort that can assist us during times of distress. The ransom of Jesus and the hope of seeing my loved one again in the resurrection brought me comfort. I would like to share these three scriptures with you to give you comfort John 5:28, 29, Acts 24:15 and Romans 15:4. May the God of comfort give you peace and rest. Mrs. Higgins

**Mrs Higgins** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM