



James "Jim" Cahal

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James C. Cahal, age 94 of Independence, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on March 3, 2026, in Cleveland, Ohio. Born on September 7, 1931, in Parma, Ohio, James was the son of the late Dube and Lizzie (Kinkade) Cahal.

A proud veteran of the U.S. Navy, James served his country with honor and distinction. Following his military service, he embarked on a career as a Printer-Pressman at Carpenter Reserve Printing, where his incredible work ethic was evident to all who knew him. James retired from his position after many years of dedicated service, leaving behind a legacy of professionalism and commitment.

James was the beloved husband of the late Ruth (Deike) Cahal and a loving father to his children, Doug (deceased), Judy Koschmann (Andy) and Karen Cahal. James was a cherished grandfather to Mark (Kara) Koschmann, Jim (Amanda) Koschmann, and Kennedy Cahal, and great-grandfather to eight great-grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Rice, Robert, Donald, Glenn and Collis Cahal. His absence will be felt by all who had the honor of knowing him.

Jim's passion for gardening was exceptional; he found great joy in cultivating his plants and sharing the fruits of his labor with others. His appreciation for a fine bourbon was well-known, and he enjoyed sharing a "nip" with friends and family. Jim was a great provider who always put the needs of others ahead of his own.

Those who knew Jim would describe him as passionate and selfless. He approached every aspect of his life with a level of care and consideration that inspired everyone around him. Jim's thoughtfulness extended beyond his immediate circle, touching the lives of many others around him.

Family and friends may gather for visitation at Vodrazka Golubski Deliberato Funeral Care, 6505 Brecksville Rd., Independence, on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 from 4-7p.m. Funeral service



Obituary

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Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at the funeral home at 11 a.m. Interment to follow at Mapleshade Cemetery, with Military Honors presented by the U.S. Navy.



Events

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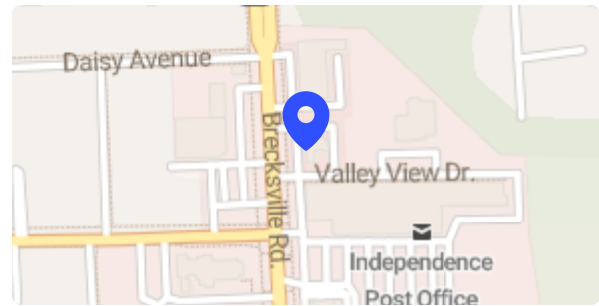
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Gathering of Family and Friends

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

Vodrazka Golubski Deliberato Funeral Care
6505 Brecksville Rd, Independence OH 44131

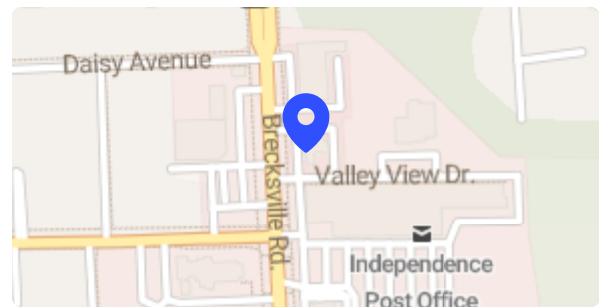


Funeral Service

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM ET

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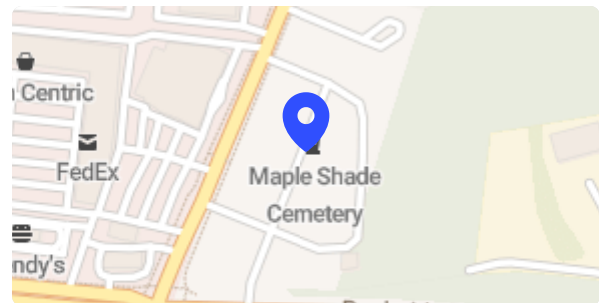


Burial

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM ET

Maple Shade Cemetery
6161 Brecksville Rd, Independence OH 44131





Tribute Wall

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Peggy G. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of James.



March 11 at 10:16 AM



Peggy Gruttadauria March 11 at 10:36 AM

Pete and I and Vivian aka(Mrs G) wanted to plant a tree in memory of your Dad, our deepest sympathy for you and your family during this difficult time, we know that the happy and loving memories of your Dad will always be with you! ❤️



Sabrina Cahal sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Cahal family.



March 9 at 7:21 PM



Andy Koschmann posted:

One of my favorite memories of Dad, my father-in-law, was going to Cedar Point while Judy and I were dating. It became clear to me that one of his requirements for me to marry Judy was to be able to ride roller coasters with him. Although I was somewhat fearful and inexperienced with roller coasters, I bravely road them so I could be engaged to Judy. Soon I grew to really enjoy them!When Mark and Jim were growing up and we would go to Cedar Point, Dad would coach them including telling Jimmy to stand up tall to be allowed to go on the roller coaster. One time Jimmy was told that he was not tall enough to ride until he told them "but I've already been on this ride two times."Special Memories!

March 9 at 4:34 PM



Judy Koschmann posted:

My Dad loved spiced jelly beans and chocolate! A cherished memory of my Dad was coming home from school where I was teaching in California to find a very large stand up boxed chocolate Easter bunny at my door with two bags of jelly beans! It is a favorite story because I cherished the love behind my 87 year old father at that time sending his daughter an Easter bunny for Easter! It was the biggest Chocolate Easter Bunny I ever had and we enjoyed every yummy bite of it! When I asked him why he sent me two bags of jelly beans he laughed and said, "Oh, I was wondering what happened to that second bag it was supposed to be for me!" I love ❤️ you Dad! Your daughter, Judy

March 7 at 5:06 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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