



James Blaine Rivers

November 27, 1950 - December 15, 2024

James was born November 27, 1950 to Donald and Martha Rivers.

James spent his youth traveling around the world, to exotic places such as Spain, Turkey and Thailand, being raised as a military child. Both of James parents were in the Air Force. He had a special connection with Spain.

After graduating from Madrid High School, Torrejon Air Base, Madrid, Spain, James joined the Air Force and bravely fought for his country in Vietnam.

James was a brilliant mechanic who worked on the legendary Blue Angels. He could tear apart and build anything with an engine.

James was especially known for his gentle soul, loving spirit and his love of flowers and critters. Over the years James had quite the menagerie of dogs, cats, frogs, spiders and lizards. He was specially bonded with his beloved dog Poh-Pohz.

Though James had no children of his own, he stepped in as a father figure to two troubled young girls. Through his gentle loving spirit and wisdom, their lives were forever changed.

James leaves behind many friends and family members who were given the

gift of having him in their lives.

Graveside services will be held 10:00 AM Tuesday, January 7th, 2025 at Visalia District Cemetery, 1300 W Goshen Ave, Visalia.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Graveside

JAN 7. 10:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery
1300 W Goshen Ave
Visalia, CA 93291