



James A. Holliday, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.)

December 25, 1948 - July 5, 2025

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1948 – 2025

James A. Holliday, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.), passed away peacefully on July 5, 2025, in San Antonio, Texas, at the age of 76.

Born in 1948 to Robert and Naomi Holliday, James lived a life of steadfast service, dedication, and compassion. A proud veteran, he served his country honorably as a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army. After his military career, he continued to serve others as a Doctor of Pharmacy, always offering his expertise and care to those in need.

James was a man of deep Christian faith and unwavering integrity. He lived out his values daily—quietly, humbly, and with great kindness. He loved spending time outdoors and was an avid golfer, bowler, and billiards player. He never missed a chance to belt out The Beach Boys or talk about his love of fast cars. These interests brought him joy, camaraderie, and cherished time with friends and family.

James is survived by his devoted wife of 55 years, Karen Holliday; his loving daughter, Emily Holliday; his brothers, Larry (Meredith, Jennifer, Zach, and David) Holliday and

Bob (Cathy, Sarah, and Natalie) Holliday; He was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Robert and Naomi Holliday, his cherished son, Justin Holliday, and many friends he met along the way.

His legacy is one of service, strength, and selflessness. He will be remembered for his warm heart, steady presence, top tier dad jokes, and the many lives he touched.

Committal Service with Military Honors to celebrate James's life will be held on Monday, June 28, 2025 at 11:15 a.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery at SHELTER #2 (1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd, San Antonio, TX 78209).

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that donations be made to any charity of your choice or blood donations in James's name.

Cemetery Details

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Road
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Committal Service with Military Honors

JUL 28. 11:15 AM (CT)

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1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd
San Antonio, TX 78209
(210) 820-3891

Please proceed to SHELTER #2.

Tribute Wall

HP

“ My most sincerest condolences to Karen Halliday Family, brothers and sisters, I worked with Jim at TDI Pharmacy on the city's Westside, we techs referred to him as "Papo" he was our second father in pharmacy, anyone with a problem or anyone with an issue, we all knew we could confide and he was ready to help with the issue, was the best boss to work, may the perpetual light shine upon him and may he rest in peace 🙏

Hugo Rene Pena - September 03, 2025 at 01:18 PM

LB

“ We remember Jim very fondly from when his family was stationed in the Augusta, GA, area. He and Karen were a very special couple. We're so sad to learn of his passing, as well as his precious son Justin's passing. Justin and our son, Jeremy, were very good friends during their middle schools years before James' transfer to San Antonio. Our hearts break for Karen and Emily.

Don and Lynda Blackstock

Lynda Blackstock - August 19, 2025 at 05:07 PM

JB

“ I came across this and I'm remember Mr. Holliday well when you guys lived in Augusta, Ga. Prayers for all of you.
Jeremy Blackstock and family.

Jeremy Blackstock - August 01, 2025 at 06:18 PM

JB

“ Karen, I have no words to describe how much I will miss a very dear Friend. You and Doc both helped me through a very tough time in my life and I am forever grateful. He was a fine Officer and an even better man. I am sorry for your loss and will be thinking of you during the difficult time.

John Bodlien - July 13, 2025 at 07:00 PM

MD

I am so sorry for your loss, Karen & Family. I attended School with Jim since kindergarten. He has always been a kind person. You are in my Thoughts, & Prayers during this difficult time. God bless you.
Marilynn Herron Daniel

Marilynn Herron Daniel - July 21, 2025 at 02:40 PM

FM

“ Karen, Gary and I are so sorry for your loss. Jim was such a character! I don't think we ever spent any time with the two of you where we were laughing about something because of the jokes that Jim cracked. We enjoyed the time that we got to spend with the two of you at Sage.

Faye Murphy - July 10, 2025 at 06:35 PM

MC

“ My deepest condolences at this time of sorrow. My prayers n love are with you, Friend. Stay strong 🙏🙏🙏

Margie Carrasco - July 09, 2025 at 10:50 PM

SH

“ Karen, I am so sorry for your loss. I didnt know until I saw this post. I have always enjoyed visiting with you on Bingo Nights and when we would meet in the hall. If you need a friend to talk with, I'm here (2104).

Sharon Harris - July 09, 2025 at 03:13 PM

ST

“ Jim will be very missed at Sage. We always looked forward to his jokes! He brought a smile to all and treated our team with so much kindness and respect.

Sage Team - July 09, 2025 at 12:43 PM

CP

“ Jim's wit, humor, and kind smile will be missed. Sending love from the Pipers.

Chanel Piper - July 09, 2025 at 11:38 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - July 09, 2025 at 11:09 AM