



Dr. James Harvey Lindsey

March 10, 1934 - March 12, 2018

James H. Lindsey M.D, ("Dr. Jim"), passed away peacefully on Monday, March 12th, at his second home, Pauls Valley General Hospital. Born in Pauls Valley in 1934 to Dr. Ray Lindsey, M.D. and Bernice (Patterson) Lindsey. Dr. Jim was 84.

With the help of his Lord, Dr. Jim saved, healed and touched countless people through his brilliant medical prowess, his witty and sometimes off-color humor and his tough, but tender and compassionate heart. Dr. Jim delighted and brightened many with his story telling and joke telling. Everyone has their own "Dr. Jim story". His humor was special medicine.

Dr. Jim was the valedictorian and a three-sport-athlete at Pauls Valley High School, graduating in 1952. He achieved the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts of America. Graduated in 1955 from the University of Oklahoma where he was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He went to medical school at Northwestern University in Chicago, IL, where he was president of his Junior and Senior classes. After completing his internship and residency in General Surgery at Chicago Wesley Memorial Hospital, Dr. Jim returned to his roots in 1964 to practice medicine alongside his father as a 3rd generation Lindsey surgeon.

Dr. Jim was on the medical staff of Pauls Valley General Hospital for 38 years,

until 2002, where he served as Chief of Staff on several occasions. He served on the medical staff of Pauls Valley State School until 2002. One of his favorite roles was that of Clinical Instructor in Surgery for the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center where he shared his talents and shaped careers of countless medical students in the small town rotation program. He was most recently the resident physician for the Willows Assisted Living Residence.

After retirement, Dr. Jim was honored to serve on the Board of the Pauls Valley National Bank. Other highlights of his accomplishments: Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, President of the Oklahoma Medical Association, Received the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine Aesculapian award for excellence by a volunteer faculty. He served as Elder and Deacon of the First Presbyterian Church. He found great joy in expressing his musical talents by playing the drums for the Ragtime Rascals.

He is survived by his wife and best friend of 59 years, Judith Lynn Lindsey (Judy), his daughter Ellen Lindsey Dougherty and husband Tom of Stamford, CT, son Greg Lindsey and wife Diana of Oklahoma City. Dr. Jim is preceded in death by his oldest son, Mark Lindsey of Oklahoma City.

Dr. Jim is also survived by his sister Lou Hall of Pauls Valley and her daughters Kathy and Amy Hall.

Dr. Jim will be fondly remembered by his eight grandchildren; Abigail Lindsey, John Lindsey, Thomas Dougherty, Matthew Dougherty, Sophia Lindsey, Anabelle Lindsey, Reed Lindsey, Elliot Lindsey and one great-granddaughter, Ellison Thompson. Dr. Jim will be missed by many other family members.

Dr. Jim was a beloved physician, husband, father, brother, uncle, grandfather, great grandfather, teacher, mentor and friend. He will be missed by many, but kept alive in our hearts through our fond memories and stories of him.

The family would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to the talented and dedicated staff at Pauls Valley General Hospital, Dr. Bill Wright and Dr. Susan Jones, for their excellent and compassionate care of Dr. Jim.

A celebration of life service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church 320 N. Walnut, Pauls Valley, OK at 2:30 pm Saturday, March 17th. Wooster Funeral Home is receiving visitors.

Memorial donations may be made to Dr. Jim's favorite charity, the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation; 825 NE 13th, OKC, OK 73104.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 17. 2:30 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
320 N. Walnut
Pauls Valley, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. James Harvey Lindsey*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *Sending thoughts and extreme condolences. I remember him as a great Doctor and great man.*

Jack King, M.D.

John D. King, M.D. - May 23, 2018 at 07:36 PM



“ *Judy, Lou and family,*

I found Jim's obituary on Wooster's web site. I am very sorry he has passed away. He was truly a fine man and physician. As you probably know I worked with him (and his dad Ray) at the P.V. State School. Further, when I was president of the Good News Medical Clinic he was a regular volunteer of his medical skills. He also treated me, my mother and my father. I held him in high regard and will miss seeing him in this life. I know we will all see each other in heaven.

Our prayers and sympathies to each of you.

Mel & JoDean Smith

Mel Smith - May 01, 2018 at 06:28 PM

MS

“ *Mel Smith lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey*



Mel Smith - May 01, 2018 at 04:00 PM

JW

“ *Jeanette Nation Weiland lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey*



Jeanette Nation Weiland - March 19, 2018 at 08:56 AM

TR

“ *Not only was Dr. Jim a fantastic Physician he was a great friend.*
Tony Rust

Tony Rust - March 18, 2018 at 04:53 PM

DB

“ *Dr. Jim Lindsey was a wonderful Friend, Doctor to myself and my family, he will be dearly missed . I have all the love and admiration for Dr. Lindsey and family ..God Bless*

Daniel F Bosworth - March 17, 2018 at 02:23 PM

DB

“ Daniel F Bosworth lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Daniel F Bosworth - March 17, 2018 at 02:16 PM

TM

“ Words cannot describe this Beautiful Soul. A void is left in the hearts of oh so many.



Tom & Vallory Moore

Tom Moore - March 17, 2018 at 02:04 PM

JY

“ Lite a candle for wonderful person.

J Harvey Yoakum - March 17, 2018 at 09:22 AM

HF

“ Huckabaa Family lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Huckabaa Family - March 17, 2018 at 01:14 AM

TF

“ Tammy Frazee lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Tammy Frazee - March 17, 2018 at 01:11 AM

ST

“ Our family have loved and respected dr. Lindsey and his precious wife and family
For their sacrifice to this community.
Dr. Lindsey ministered healing many times .
Our favorite memories are of seeing Him and his wife , sister eating at one of our favorite
Sunday lunch hang out , Ballard’s drive in.
They were friendly smiling , and loving.
That’s how we want to remember him.
Sending love and prayers to his wife and family , friends. Steve & Deanna Thompson

Steve & Deanna Thompson - March 17, 2018 at 12:19 AM

LH

“ My mother and myself worked under Dr. Lindsey. I will cherish all the knowledge i received while working at PVGH. I never seen him get upset with a nurse or intimidate them if they made an error.
Such a great physcian and wonderful man. Prayers for this family .

Lori Harper-Kraft - March 16, 2018 at 09:38 PM

CW

“ I remember Dr. Jim and Lou's dad when we were kids. Their dad, Dr. Ray took out the tonsils of my brother and me when we were school age. When Dr. Jim returned from medical school to PV to practice;, he took out my appendix; then he took out several more parts of my body through the years and my mother's and my Dad's! My Dad told Dr. Jim that our family had "Season Tickets" to PVGH and that we were so lucky to have him. Dr. Jim would slowly laugh and I overheard him tell my dad that we were great patients as he needed US to practice his surgical skills on. We never ever stopped laughing at this gracious, wonderful, brilliant teacher and "Gift from God" doctor and best friend.

Thank you, Dr. Jim, what a wonderful legacy you gave us all and my sincerest condolences to Judy, Lou and the whole family. I send my prayers for peace and comfort to all of you

Charmaine Wallace

Charmaine Wallace - March 16, 2018 at 08:31 PM



“ My Mother and Daddy, Opal and Dr. Dan J. Albright (veterinarian) always had positive things to say about the whole Lindsay family. May the Lord Jesus Christ help and comfort Dr. Jim's family as they go through this transition of missing him. Judy Albright Wesselhoft, Moore, OK

Judy Maureen - March 16, 2018 at 06:31 PM

CH

“ Goodbye to Jim, my classmate PVHS class of '52.

Charles R. Holt

Charles R Holt - March 16, 2018 at 02:50 PM

SG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. There are more happy memories about Dr. Jim than I can count.

David and Shelia Goodwin

S. David Goodwin - March 16, 2018 at 12:42 PM

LO

“ I remember when Dr Jim came back to PV to practice. I also remember his dad Dr Ray and their family. I believe that my dad baptized Mark and Ellen in the First Presbyterian Church. The Lindsey's are a remarkable family. Their legacy lives on. Lisa Canaday Okeke

Lisa Canaday Okeke - March 16, 2018 at 12:24 PM

KS

“ Kristin Howard Schroeder lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Kristin Howard Schroeder - March 16, 2018 at 12:06 PM

KS

Judy, Ellen, and Greg my thoughts and prayers are with you all. Dr. Jim was precious to not only my Dad but also our family. He will be missed!

Kristin Howard Schroeder - March 16, 2018 at 12:07 PM

CW

“ Carolyn Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Carolyn Wilkerson - March 16, 2018 at 11:30 AM

RO

“ Dr. Jim helped save my life and very possibly made it possible for me to walk in 1966. He spent over 6 hours in the operating room with me. I have always been thankful for his gift of medical talent to the Pauls Valley area. He will be missed. May God bless his legacy to touch others.



Ron - March 16, 2018 at 06:34 AM

 Pamela Jackson

“ Pamela Jackson lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Pamela Jackson - March 16, 2018 at 12:23 AM

CJ

“ Some of the best years of my life were spent working at the hospital. There was never a time that I would meet Dr. Jim in the hallways that he didn't have a smile and usually some funny remark. May God wrap his loving arms around this precious family.

Chris Williams Johnston - March 15, 2018 at 10:55 PM

LW

“ *Linda Williams lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey*



Linda Williams - March 15, 2018 at 10:23 PM

LS

“ *So very sad to hear about Dr Lindsey's death. He was my favorite Dr of all time! Always professional, brilliant, upbeat yet calm, compassionate, always listened to his patients and the nurses caring for them, excellent surgeon, teacher/explainer of all things (remind me to share the story of when he explained HOW M&M enemas worked to this young nurse once upon a time!) I can still hear that laugh of his. What a gift he was to so many, as well as the community. What an honor to have known and worked with him. Judy, I hope you can feel my hugs. Sending up prayers for you and your family during this very sad and difficult time. Lou, I wish I could be there for you like you were for me. I know how much you loved your brother. Prayers for peace and comfort.*

Lynn Sisney

lynn sisney - March 15, 2018 at 10:06 PM

BS

“ *He saved my life when I was 19. I'm forever grateful.*

Brenda Shoemake - March 15, 2018 at 09:57 PM

HB

“ *Lou Hall and family member of Dr. Jim Lindsey, I am saddened to night of the reading of passing of Dr. Jim. We al have been blessed to have him with us for so long. My Sympathy, love and Prayers are with you all, you will many happy memories to share with each other in the future. God Bless you all.*

There is a saying that goes like this--They say it takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them. A day to love them, but then an entire life to forget them. Do not value the things you have in your life, but value who you have in your life.

Harold Bradley - March 15, 2018 at 07:47 PM

GA

What a very special person Dr. Jim was ... so very kind and caring. His calm and compassionate personality made you feel relaxed and comfortable. Judy and your wonderful family, we pray you feel the love, peace and comfort of our Lord Jesus Christ. May you be blessed with many wonderful memories to share. Love, Gary and LaVon

Gary and LaVon Archer - March 18, 2018 at 10:42 AM

KC

“ *Dr. Jim was so very special in the lives of my family. Lucy Stine was my mother and Dr. Jim's Office Manager and nurse for many years. Dr. Jim spoke at Lucy's funeral services when she passed away and our family is forever grateful to him for all he did for his community and patients. To remember his slow-talking drawl makes me smile and I just cant help but think he is with her in heaven and that they are figuring out some way to help us all that are left behind. THANK YOU DOCTOR JIM FOR CROSSING MY PATH and you will be forever in my heart.*

Kay Stine Colman-Day - March 15, 2018 at 07:23 PM

ER

“ Emma And Natha Ray lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Emma and Natha Ray - March 15, 2018 at 07:11 PM

ER

Our prayers go out to Judy and their children, grand children and Lou Hall and family. Dr. Jim will be missed by all who crossed his path. He was a christian man who always had a kind smile for everyone. He leaves a legend of a Great Doctor that helped heal some many and did so with a loving heart. May God Bless and help you through the hard days ahead.

Emma and Natha Ray - March 15, 2018 at 07:27 PM

LC

“ I only knew Dr. Jim through his sister, Lou Hall, my P.V. High School Classmate. Lou, and family, I am so sorry for your loss.....Leta Head Carter in Montana

Leta Head Carter - March 15, 2018 at 05:39 PM

SA

Dr. Jim was loved by many including my family, Harve and Sue Williams and Harold and Mary Deen Manning. He will be truly missed.

Susie Manning Allen - March 16, 2018 at 08:43 AM

DM

“ There are some people who leave a hole that will never be filled by anyone who comes after. Dr. Jim is one of those. Our family has always had a great deal of respect for him. I thought you might want to hear something to make you smile. Amy, our youngest daughter said, "Did I tell you about the time he scared the strep out of me?" I said what?

She said, "Dr. Lindsay told me that if I got strep one more time he was going to take out my tonsils. I never had strep again until I was an adult!" So that's how he "scared the strep out of her".He will be missed!

Donna & Wendell McCracken - March 15, 2018 at 02:57 PM

PT

“ There are not enough words to express how great a man Dr. Jim was and his memory will be in my heart forever. My prayers go out to Judy, Greg, and Ellen.



Paul Talkington - March 15, 2018 at 01:42 PM

HP

“ We are saddened to learn of Dr. Jim's passing. He always had a smile, was so kind, considerate and he helped so many. Pauls Valley has been blessed to have had his services. He will be missed. Thoughts and prayers for his family. God Bless.



HM & Betty Pannell - March 15, 2018 at 11:55 AM

MH

“ Dr. Jim showed true compassion for people.. He was always kind and he really loved what he did. He will truly be missed. I pray God grant his family peace during this time.

Michelle Herrin - March 15, 2018 at 09:55 AM

WA

“ Dr. Jim saved Jerry in 1965...advised me for many years. He was a special man and will be missed. My thoughts & prayers go out to the family. He will certainly be missed. BTW..loved how he said my name...Way molene in his own special voice. Such a kind man & friend.



Waymolene Abel - March 15, 2018 at 09:39 AM

TH

“ Paul's Valley lost a true medical professional and a gentleman. He had a smile that could light up a room. We were all blessed to have him as a doctor and a friend. Until we meet again Dr. Lindsey †††††
Erick&Tyra Hobbs



Tyra Hobbs - March 15, 2018 at 01:53 AM

TH

“ Tina McCarty Hume lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Tina McCarty Hume - March 15, 2018 at 01:09 AM

PP

“ Dr. Jim and Judy were always so sweet. He will be missed by so many! Prayers and hugs to Judy and the family,

Peggy Perry - March 15, 2018 at 12:17 AM

GH

“ We are saddened by the news of Dr. Lindseys passing he was loved by so many and will be greatly missed. I would like to share two of my favorite and fondest memories of Dr. Lindsey. I worked for PVGH for 20 years, as well as at the Willows. I remember James coming down the north hall at PVGH dancing and whistling Yankee Doodle. Also every Christmas he and the children would come to PVGH with a box of candy for all the departments as well as at the Willows Assisted living center as long as he could make it. Love and Prayers go out to Judy and all the family, he will be greatly missed.

Glennita and Alfred Hollman and Family

Glennita Hollman - March 14, 2018 at 11:16 PM

SS

“ I had the privilege of working with Dr. Lindsey when I was a nursing student and then as a new nurse. He was a kind and gentle soul and a brilliant surgeon. He had a wealth of knowledge and experience to share. He loved to teach. I'm so very thankful for having the opportunity to work with him. Prayers and comfort for his family.

Susan (Griffith) Shalver - March 14, 2018 at 10:55 PM

BA

“ To Judy and all family members our prayers and thoughts are with you Alan and Brenda Agee 🙏🙏🙏

brenda agee - March 14, 2018 at 10:25 PM

KK

“ In Sept of 1974 this wonderful doctor saved my life. I had a ruptured appendix and he did the surgery that saved my life. He was a great man.

Kathy J Chapman Koen - March 14, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DW

“ The one and only Dr. Jim Lindsay.....great doctor, great man! He will be missed. Prayers and love to the family.

David and Tammy White - March 14, 2018 at 08:41 PM

AW

“ Allon And Judy Willis lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Allon and Judy Willis - March 14, 2018 at 07:18 PM

VC

“ Virginia Coffey lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey



Virginia Coffey - March 14, 2018 at 07:02 PM

VC

Virginia Coffey

Virginia Coffey - March 14, 2018 at 07:03 PM

JB

“*Dr. Jim was our family doctor for many years just as his dad was before him. He had a calm undisturbed manner that made you feel everything would be okay. One funny story he told us one time was when he was in Chicago as an intern and he had the awesome duty of going into some pretty bad areas. When walking down the sidewalk of those areas, he would take out his stethoscope and swing it back and forth to let everyone know he was the good guy. Judy was his soulmate and was the perfect doctors wife and mother. He will always be sweetly remembered by many people. We'll miss you, Dr. Jim.*



Mary & Jim Baird

Jim & Mary Baird - March 14, 2018 at 05:47 PM

DW

“*Dr. Jim will be greatly missed. He always said something to make you laugh or smile. Prayers for the family.*”

Debbie Wadley - March 14, 2018 at 05:25 PM

KW

“*I will always just love Dr. Lindsey. He was always so kind caring and funny. He will be truly missed. My prayers go out to his family.*

Kim Whitefield - March 14, 2018 at 05:08 PM

RH

“*My deepest condolences to Judy and family , to Lou Hall and family, and all of Dr Lindsay's family and friends. God Bless Each and everyone. He was a great doctor and will be deeply missed. Prayers and Hugs*❤️”

Rita Hines - March 14, 2018 at 04:53 PM

AT

“ Love too his family!!! I was in and out of his office sooo many times growing up!!!



Angie Teeter-Quickel - March 14, 2018 at 04:14 PM

LC

“ Such a brilliant mind Dr. Jim had...He was my grandparents, parents and my doctor for years. He not only had a passion for medicine, but he had a compassion for people! Unlike most doctors, he knew you whenever you met. He is loved and will be missed!

Linda Chappell - March 14, 2018 at 03:02 PM

LC

I need to add that it was also his father who began my grandparents care and Dr, Jim just continued in his father's footsteps.

Linda Chappell - March 14, 2018 at 03:08 PM

PB

“ Dr. Jim was such a well loved man, respected physician and civic leader in our community and will be missed greatly by all who knew him. The Pauls Valley community has lost someone special. My thoughts and prayers are with Judy and all of Dr. Jim's family. I pray God will comfort and give you strength in the days and weeks ahead.

Pam Branam

Pam Branam - March 14, 2018 at 02:22 PM

JC

“ *Dr. Jim was a household name for as long as I can remember. Cannot count the number of times he cared for all of us. He wasn't just a doctor, he was a true physician and humanitarian. Rest in peace my friend.* ”



James Cummings - March 14, 2018 at 02:17 PM



“ *He saved my life in 1984. He was a very talented man who probably could have gone anywhere but chose to serve us here in Garvin county. A great man.* ”

William Gilmore - March 14, 2018 at 01:29 PM

AT

Yes he did!! Loved this man!!!!

Angie Teeter-Quickel - March 14, 2018 at 04:11 PM

LK

“ *Loura Kelly lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey* ”



Loura Kelly - March 14, 2018 at 01:19 PM

SB

“ *One of the best men I have ever known. He was such a good friend to my Dad and also took great care of both of my parents. This town is better because he lived and practiced medicine here. I think we're all shedding a few tears over losing him. Judy, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I loved him a lot.* ”

Sharon (Cook) Brown - March 14, 2018 at 12:50 PM



“ *Dr. Jim was so loved and respected by our community. He will be missed. May God give his family peace during this time of grief.* ”



Joe and Deloris Hendrix - March 14, 2018 at 12:34 PM



“ *Central Fixtures lit a candle in memory of Dr. James Harvey Lindsey* ”



Central Fixtures - March 14, 2018 at 10:40 AM