



James "Jim" Harvey Bartz

January 3, 1934 - November 6, 2025

James (Jim) Harvey Bartz, 91, passed away unexpectedly at his home in Washington, Utah, and into the eternal loving arms of Jesus on Thursday, November 6, 2025. Jim was born on January 3, 1934, to the late Harvey and Ircel (Kingston) Bartz in Mountain, Wisconsin.

Jim was raised in Mountain and graduated from Suring High School, where he was active in sports, played the trumpet, and was prom king. Jim was an Eagle Scout who went on to attend Michigan Tech after high school. He later enlisted in the US Air Force and was stationed in Cheyenne, Wyoming. While there, he married his childhood sweetheart, Lynne, in 1957. The newlyweds lived in Cheyenne for the rest of his enlistment before returning to Wisconsin, where they settled in Green Bay and started their family.

Jim began his professional flying career at Green Bay Aviation as a flight instructor and charter pilot, even flying Bart Starr several times in the late 1960s. Following a move to Longmont, Colorado (1971), he temporarily worked as a heavy equipment operator, notably helping with the Big Thompson Flood cleanup (1976). He soon returned to flying, working as a commuter pilot for Pioneer Airlines in Denver and later SkyWest Airlines in California, which prompted a move to Buellton. Jim retired in 1994. Eight years later (2002), after Lynne's retirement, they moved to their final home in Washington, Utah.

Jim was an enthusiast, gifted in many areas. His many hobbies varied from collecting barbed wire to rock collecting with his children and grandchildren. His main “retirement hobby” was woodworking, where his skills ranged from making toys for his grandchildren to intarsia. Jim’s interests were just as varied as his hobbies - from the Green Bay Packers to donuts and coffee.

More than anything, Jim’s unwavering dedication to lifelong service for Christ and his love in sharing God’s grace and goodness were of the most importance to him.

Jim is survived by his son, Mark Bartz, San Francisco, CA; daughter, Pam (Phil) Temple, Plover, WI; granddaughter, Ash (Kevin) Russell; grandson, Tyler (Carmel) Temple, St. Paul, MN; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Lynne; his parents; and his sister, Virginia.

The family would especially like to thank Jim’s many friends, neighbors, and church family for being a source of support and social activities for him over the past year and a half.

In honor and appreciation of Jim's life, a service will be held Saturday, November 22, 2025, at 2:00 PM at Southland Bible Church, 195 E. Arrowhead Way, Washington, Utah. The service will be live-streamed at: southlandbible.org/resources/live-stream.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Frontier School of the Bible at PO Box 217, LaGrange, WY 82221, or online at frontierbible.org/support-frontier.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Southland Bible Church
195 E. Arrowhead Way
Washington, UT

Tribute Wall

PT

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Pam Temple - November 21, 2025 at 03:11 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Harvey Bartz.



November 20, 2025 at 05:52 PM

TT

“ The families of Jill, Gregg and Tim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Harvey Bartz.

The families of Jill, Gregg and Tim - November 20, 2025 at 05:52 PM

RM

“ Mr. Bartz was my son Geoffrey teachers at Southland he helped him get his Eagle Scout. Mr. Bartz brought my son to the Lord too. We loved Jim and Lynne very much and will miss them greatly. God Bless the family.

Renee and Geoffrey Morrow

Rene'e Morrow - November 18, 2025 at 11:22 AM

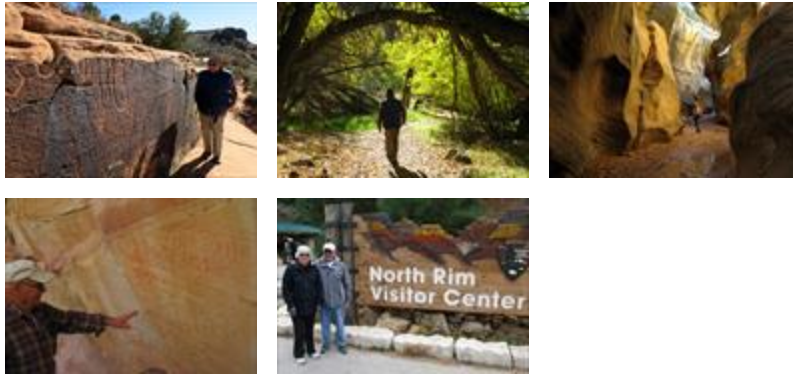
SJ

“ Jim and Lynne were good friends when we started to Southland. I had hoped to be neighbors at one time but it didn't work out. I wish I could be there for his memorial but I can't. I had to miss Lynne's also. I'll hope to see it on computer. He was truly an example of one who loved the Lord and served Him faithfully.
Sue Johnston

Sue Johnston - November 17, 2025 at 10:03 PM

BP

“ 7 files added to the album Exploring Southern Utah



Bruce Pitts - November 14, 2025 at 12:59 PM

EP

“ Jim and Lynne quickly became friends when we started attending Southland Bible Church in 2009. They were very welcoming to these Canadian Snow Birds and we enjoyed exploring Southern Utah's beauty together on many occasions. His deep love for Christ as his saviour and confidence in knowing his eternal destiny were firmly rooted in God's word.
We offer our sincere condolences to his family. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Ev & Bruce Pitts - November 14, 2025 at 12:54 PM

HB

“ Our family met Jim & Lynne at Southland Bible Church where he was the first teacher our boys had. We grew close to them and what a great example they both were. Jim was a retired pilot for Skywest Airlines, my husband works for. Our oldest son shares the favorite Green Bay Packers fan and our youngest son shared the same birthday, January 3rd. After Lynnes passing we spent more time with Jim and he was my biggest encouragement during my 2nd time with cancer, calling me faithfully every week. Several times we drove out to Veyo to get pies then go around sharing with shut ins and the older Church family. We went several times to Mesquite for the Prime Rib deals. We talked as Skywest family we all cried when they retired our favorite plane, the EMB-120, Jim's favorite he said to fly, our family's favorite to fly in and Kurt's favorite to work on when they flew its final flight over the Skywest headquarters a few years ago. We cry now because Jim flew his final flight away from us, but will be greatly missed and always loved. We cherish the times we got to spend and will carry great memories until its time for each of our final flights, but we will have same destination. We will see Him again ❤️

Heather Bese - November 13, 2025 at 06:22 PM

KO

“ Our prayer times, together, were ultra meaningful, and still are. We knew where we were headed by Divine appointment, and were eager. Sincerity was one of many fine hallmarks of Jim's character...and he was one.
Ken Ostrom

Ken Ostrom - November 12, 2025 at 05:29 PM

JD

“ I am eternally grateful to Jim and Lynne for their friendship through many years of being neighbors on Cactus Lane.

Jim was so devoted to the Lord - as was Lynne - and I grew to appreciate that love they shared for our Savior.

Jim made a couple of boxes for me that contain my Steve's cremains and the cremains of 8 of the family dogs through the years. I imagine that Jim has already touched base with Steve. I'm so grateful that he took the time for that small help during a painful time.

Rest well my friend.

Phil, Pam and Mark - I will miss Jim's service as I'm stuck in SL at that time. Best memories to you all of your dear parents.

Judy D.

Judy Dencker - November 12, 2025 at 08:48 AM

JJ

“ I was Lynne's best friend for 79 years and so I remember when she fell "head over heels " for Jim Bartz. What a beautiful love affair , orchestrated by God I'm sure and now they are back together again . Thank you for the memories. J & L. Love Janice

Janice Jones - November 10, 2025 at 06:24 PM