



James Allen Jefferies

September 14, 1970 - August 16, 2024

JEFFERIES, James Allen, 53, resident of Prattville, AL, passed away on Friday, August 16, 2024. Memorial service will be held on Friday, August 23, 2024 at 11:00 am from Prattville Memorial Chapel with Taylor Stein officiating. The family will receive friends at Prattville Memorial one-hour prior to the service. Mr. Jefferies was preceded in death by his mother, Janet Jefferies. He is survived by his loving wife of 27 years, Jodi Jefferies; three daughters, Jennifer Cozza, Kimberly Cozza and Samantha Schneider (Victorien); one grandchild, Nathan Byrd; brother, Todd Jefferies; sister, Jill Williams; extended family and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Prattville Memorial Chapel
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Tribute Wall

EP

“ My condolences to the family and friends of James. I knew him from the AIE community and spoke a few times about our work lives (he in TV and me in radio). Such a tremendous person with a personality to match. He will definitely be missed.

Ed Pitts - September 01, 2024 at 09:00 PM

TW

“ My condolences to James' family for their loss. He was a shining light and an awesome friend. He will be missed by all. Honor and glory, old friend. We shall meet again.

Tony Walters - August 26, 2024 at 09:48 PM

BS

“ Our hearts and love are with you Jodi and your family. Bob and Cheryl Scott Toledo Ohio

Bob and Cheryl Scott - August 24, 2024 at 07:32 AM

JH

“ James, you were such a kind soul and always helpful when I needed you, and I loved your sense of humor. Rest easy, my friend

Jan Hartsell - August 23, 2024 at 07:43 AM

AL

“ Aimee L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

Aimee L. - August 22, 2024 at 04:56 PM

GM

“ I had the pleasure of working with James for a few years. He was always very kind and pleasant to work with, in addition to being very, very talented. Always knew him to be positive with a smile on his face. I am so sorry for your loss.

Gregory Miller - August 22, 2024 at 03:01 PM

BK

“ Bob and Jill Kroeger purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



Bob and Jill Kroeger - August 22, 2024 at 11:59 AM

FF

“ From your extended KTIV family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

From your extended KTIV family - August 22, 2024 at 08:46 AM

FF

“ From your extended KTIV family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



From your extended KTIV family - August 22, 2024 at 08:46 AM

SC

“ James was my first assistant Chief Engineer at FOX 36. He was a joy to work with!

Steven Crum - August 21, 2024 at 08:26 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



August 21, 2024 at 08:20 PM

KC

“ I never met James (aka Acuzod) in person but based on what I've read and my in-game experiences with him, he was a "Real One".



He crossed my mind about a month ago because I wanted to share with him that I had taken his salutation of "Greetings" and incorporated it into my emails at work. We have to keep our emails sort of impersonal so I chose to go with "Greetings". Every time I type it, I think/thought of Acuzod.

I'm genuinely heartbroken that I won't get to share that story with him. When I met him in-game for the first time, I was "star struck" because he was always one of my favorite podcasters. Once I joined the AIE Community, I found him to be so kind and so funny. He contributed to the fun and shenanigans of raid nights.

To the Jefferies Family, I wish you all the love and hugs in the world.

Kym C. - August 21, 2024 at 07:37 PM

SS

“ Sherry S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

Sherry S. - August 21, 2024 at 06:09 PM

SB

“ It was a pleasure knowing and working with James. He definitely left a mark on the industry. You will be missed! God Bless

Steve Billing - August 21, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ Thank you for all the fantastic years in WoW, late night raids, and general shenanigans. So grateful we got to hang out at blizzcon 2011. It was the best of ever. You will be missed my friend.



Larkin McBath - August 21, 2024 at 03:18 PM

MT

“ Melissa and Bob Thurber purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



Melissa and Bob Thurber - August 21, 2024 at 03:17 PM

MT

“ Melissa and Bob Thurber planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

Melissa and Bob Thurber - August 21, 2024 at 03:17 PM

JR

“ Jeff and Barbara Rosser purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



Jeff and Barbara Rosser - August 21, 2024 at 11:11 AM

SM

“ Shared Services/Gray Media purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



Shared Services/Gray Media - August 21, 2024 at 09:38 AM

GD

“ James always had a moment to stop by the 4th floor while in the Atlanta HQ building to say "hello". Genuinely kind, and a beautiful individual who will be sorely missed. Our hearts are with all of James' friends and loved ones.

Ginger Davis - August 20, 2024 at 04:58 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



August 20, 2024 at 04:42 PM

TF

“ The Gray Media HQ Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

The Gray Media HQ Family - August 20, 2024 at 04:42 PM

JW

“ James was instrumental in getting me started in the IT area on my job a few years back. Part of this included a one on one session online. James was patient and had a great sense of humor. I never had the pleasure of meeting him in person, but felt I knew him from our correspondences. My sincere condolences and prayers go out to the family. Jim Williams, WTOK Television.

James Williams - August 20, 2024 at 02:42 PM

TE

“ Tonia E. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



Tonia E. - August 20, 2024 at 11:35 AM

TE

“ James was a special person. He was so kind and helpful, always a joy to be around. He truly was the BEST! I am grateful to have known him and will never forget him. Praying for his family. Such a tragic loss.

Tonia Evans - August 20, 2024 at 11:30 AM

BD

“ James, you left us too soon. It was a pleasure working with you. Your family should be proud of your accomplishments, legacy, and what a great brilliant person you were.

Brady W Dreasler - August 20, 2024 at 09:21 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



August 20, 2024 at 08:54 AM

DS

“ Doris Jones (Gray Shared Services) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

Doris Jones (Gray Shared Services) - August 20, 2024 at 08:54 AM

LD

“ 2 files added to the album Haloween Memories



Lotte Dunn - August 20, 2024 at 08:42 AM

“The only thing that helps a tiny bit right now is knowing you are in a better place now than you were the last month. You were a force to reckon with at work and a wonderful friend. We will miss you so much. Hvil i fred, James.

Lotte Dunn - August 20, 2024 at 08:32 AM

“ I remember sitting CEA Summit dinner. David asked who I thought was the most important member of the engineering staff. Of course, he expected me to say he was. My answer was James Jefferies. To this day I still think my answer was the right one. Without James to lead the way we have a hard time finding the path.

Jim Felton - August 20, 2024 at 08:09 AM



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Jim Felton - August 20, 2024 at 08:09 AM

“James' brilliance and intelligence were only shadowed by his kindness and good nature. Though one of the smartest people I have ever known, he patient, kind, and understanding to everyone. The industry may have lost one of its sharpest engineers, but the world lost an incredibly good man. It was my honor to know James. To his "girls" (wife and daughters), as a dad with my own "girls", my heart is with you. Your husband/dad lives on in you and the many, many lives he touched in such a wonderful way.

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Dan Slentz - August 20, 2024 at 07:30 AM

AH

“ I never had the privilege to meet James in person. He nevertheless had an incalculable impact on my life and the lives of hundreds if not thousands of others in our community.

I was first introduced to James through a regular fan segment he submitted to a popular online video game podcast throughout the early 2010s, listened to by tens of thousands of people in its heyday. Eventually our shared interests in the same video games, technology, and podcasting spaces intersected and I got a couple of precious opportunities to collaborate with James on a couple of podcast episodes, and from time to time I chatted with him in shared online spaces throughout the years. Every time I chatted with James he was a delight to speak with: smart, funny, insightful, and passionate about the things he loved. We commiserated over our shared experiences of being working professionals in technology fields and we laughed over bad puns and terrible jokes.

James was generous with his time and patience, and to someone a generation younger in technology, he was an inspiration and an example I looked up to. Reading the other tributes posted so far, that his patience and passion comes through isn't a surprise to anyone who knew him even from afar and even a little bit. He was a giant and elder statesman of our little online community, and we are all heartbroken and gutted at the news.

My deepest and heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and loved ones. James will be sorely missed. - Andrew "Hoots" Rieder-Van Hout

Andrew Rieder-Van Hout - August 20, 2024 at 01:08 AM

DH

“ Rest easy, James. You have always been the best and the brightest. We will miss you but your inspirational words and your uplifting character will live forever.

David Harkins - August 20, 2024 at 12:24 AM

DH

“ David H. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S pray for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



David H. - August 19, 2024 at 11:50 PM

RW

“ Russell Wise planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

Russell Wise - August 19, 2024 at 10:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



August 19, 2024 at 10:01 PM

CB

“ You were the most genuinely nice person I ever met. We needed you around a lot longer. You will be missed so much. Gray Montgomery will never be the same. Rest in peace my friend, until we all meet again at that television station in the sky.

Carol Belcher - August 19, 2024 at 09:21 PM

GB

“ Haven't seen James in 10 years - but memories of him being as kind, and funny as he was smart... Was there a problem he couldn't solve? Not that I ever knew of.., And patient with everyone... And always with a ready smile... One of the truly good guys! You will be missed James by many... Thanks for the memories!
Gloria Bennett

Gloria Bennett - August 19, 2024 at 06:53 PM

BC

“ Belthaz, Banasha & the Guild hall crew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Allen Jefferies.

Belthaz, Banasha & the Guild hall crew - August 19, 2024 at 06:39 PM

BC

“ Belthaz, Banasha & the Guild hall crew purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of James Allen Jefferies.



Belthaz, Banasha & the Guild hall crew - August 19, 2024 at 06:39 PM

SC

“James was a joy to work with and always helpful in explaining all things IT. He will be greatly missed! Our prayers are with your family and friends!

Sabra Cowart - August 19, 2024 at 06:25 PM

CW

“James was kind hearted, super smart, down to earth and always greeted you with a smile. Prayers for the family and all of us as we try to adjust.
Clyde Walker

Clyde Walker - August 19, 2024 at 06:23 PM

CO

“James was always so pleasant to work with and cheerful. He was so smart and his great critical thinking skills helped us do amazing projects. He will truly be missed. Sending our prayers to his family.

Connie Owens - August 19, 2024 at 06:12 PM

TI

“James was the absolute best work mentor I could've asked for. He had the patience of a saint helping me learn the ropes. He always had a smile and a "Greetings!" for me every time I saw him. And usually any hello could turn into a 30-minute conversation about all things nerdy. He was a great guy and I will miss his presence. So, here is my last "Greetings, fearless leader!". - Timmy

Timmy - August 19, 2024 at 05:39 PM

HS

“ This is very sad news. James was always so helpful: smart, fast to reply, happy to help and always taught me something I didn't know before I called him! What a wonderful man. RIP James. I'll miss you!
-Holly

Holly Steuart - August 19, 2024 at 05:28 PM

LE

“ One of the nicest and smartest person I've had the pleasure of working with. I've learned so much from James. James will be missed by many. Condolences to the family and close friends.

Lorne E - August 19, 2024 at 05:25 PM

JD

“ I will always remember you as one of the smartest, nicest, and most humble people I know. We will miss you. Blessings to your family, and I wish them a quick recovery.

Juliett Zarate DeLoach - August 19, 2024 at 05:15 PM

JS

“ Our company was acquired by Raycom Media and James was one of the first "Raycom people" many of our staff interacted with. He delivered an IT onboarding session that was so passionate and engaging, you couldn't help but get excited about some very, very boring topics! He was so warm and friendly... It was a little thing and it probably wasn't a professional milestone for someone of his skill and accomplishments, but he made our team feel welcome and I will never forget that. I didn't get to work with him as much as I would have liked, but he brought the same energy each time I did. He will be missed.

John Servizzi - August 19, 2024 at 05:13 PM

JD

“ I've appreciated working with you these many years. My condolences to your friends and family. I am sure you will be missed.

James Doggrell - August 19, 2024 at 04:47 PM

LD

“ I met your family during a huge transition point in my life. You adopted me as one of your own. You took me and Sami to all the Marvel movies. You made sure to be present at all Girl Scout functions. You even messaged me well into college and grad school to see how I was doing. I'm forever thankful to have you as a bonus dad. Be sure to teach the angels some Esperanto!

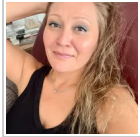


Lucy Donald - August 19, 2024 at 04:34 PM

DB

“ Greetings James! You were a fantabulous and fascinating human. You were the underlying force for all success I've had a work. I'll miss you dearly, and I know you are in a good place. David

David Burke - August 19, 2024 at 04:23 PM



“ *Smooth sailing big brother.. we'll see you again.*
Jill



Jill Williams - August 19, 2024 at 04:12 PM

VS

“ *I'm so lucky I got to call you my father-in-law.*
The time I got to spend with you will always
be cherished. Thanks for being a second
father to me. You'll always be loved and
remembered in our hearts



Victorien Schneider - August 19, 2024 at 03:08 PM

SS

“ *2 months ago, I was sitting with my dad, enjoying a drink over the*
bluest Carribean waters either of us had ever seen. I'm thankful I
got that. Bye, Dad. Love you.



Samantha Schneider - August 19, 2024 at 03:07 PM