



James Michael Cotgreave

July 24, 1966 - December 8, 2023

James Michael Cotgreave, 57, of Ocean Township away on December 8, 2023. Jimmy was born at Monmouth Medical Center in Long Branch, the oldest of four children born to Arthur and Katherine Cotgreave.

Jimmy resided in West Long Branch for many years. He met Cathleen, the love of his life, in 1999. They married in 2001, and together they built a life full of love, laughter, and faith. Jimmy was known for being top in his field as a survey layout manager for Najarian Associates in Eatontown, NJ where he was admired and loved for 34 years by colleagues and clients alike.

One of Jimmy's greatest gifts was making people laugh either with his imitations or his amazing story-telling ability. Jimmy's kind heart and generous nature always radiated Christ's love for others.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his mother Katherine Cotgreave. He is survived by his beloved wife of 22 years Cathleen Cotgreave; his father and stepmother Arthur and Christine Cotgreave; his sister Claire Larson; his sister and brother-in-law Amy and Josh Diamond; his brother John Cotgreave; his nephew Jack Larson; and his nieces Alayna and Keira Diamond.

Jimmy's memorial visitation will be held 2-6 PM with a memorial service at 5:30 PM on Monday December 18, 2023 at Bongarzone Funeral Home in

Tinton Falls, NJ. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Monmouth County SPCA at monmouthcountyspca.org/donate For online condolences, please visit Jimmy's memorial page at www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 18. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712
(732) 918-6200

Memorial Service

DEC 18. 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

NB

“ Dear Cathleen,
Our heartfelt condolences to you on the loss of Jim. May the years you shared bring you comfort and peace in the days to come.
Nancy & Paul Brzozowski

Nancy Brzozowski - December 19, 2023 at 11:51 AM

DD

“ I knew Jimmy for only five years. We worked together at Najarian, and I considered him a colleague, a friend, and a brother in Christ. Jimmy loved life, loved his wife Cathleen and he loved God and Jesus Christ. He had an amazing sense of humor, a beautiful singing voice and could make you laugh with his imitations of people. He loved trips to Maine with his wife Cathleen, having Scotch with his colleagues at work, and he loved life. There really are no words to truly express how much he will be missed. There was a light extinguished on earth when he passed away, but I hold fast to the truth that we will celebrate with him again in eternity.
Godspeed my friend, Godspeed

Debi Epperson D'Angelo

DEBORAH DANGELO - December 19, 2023 at 11:08 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



December 18, 2023 at 02:53 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

December 18, 2023 at 02:53 PM



“ This broke my heart! I loved him not only as a good friend but like the “weird little brother I never had”! He made me feel welcome on my first day at Najarian. He was so smart, warm, and funny plus always ready to try anything I baked. Willing to help me with all my computer problems even after I moved to Maryland. It was an honor and a privilege to work with him for 20 years! Deepest love, prayers to Cathleen and family.

Sue Watson

Sue Watson - December 18, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ Jimmy was simply a gem. He was extremely competent and professional as a colleague but so much more. He made work FUN!! I will always be grateful for his sense of humor and the laughs he caused that always seemed to come just when they were needed. Carol Arensman

Carol Arensman - December 18, 2023 at 09:12 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



December 18, 2023 at 08:10 AM

DS

“ Dear Cathleen,
My heart broke when I heard the news of your dear Jim's passing. I will always remember his light of love and kindness... especially for you, his love! Our thoughts and prayers will be with you as you find your way through this difficult journey.
With our deepest condolences, Deirdre and John Senkewicz

Deirdre Senkewicz - December 18, 2023 at 07:46 AM

RD

“ Dear Cathleen, There are no words to say except I am so sorry!



Rosemary Devine - December 17, 2023 at 06:19 PM

DD

“ Debi & Chuck D'Angelo purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



Debi & Chuck D'Angelo - December 17, 2023 at 11:17 AM

DD

“ Debi & Chuck D'Angelo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

Debi & Chuck D'Angelo - December 17, 2023 at 11:17 AM

SC

“ I have great memories of Jimmy when we were kids. Snowball fights with our Dads and Uncle Ronnie at MeMa's at Christmas . He made me a great mix on a cassette tape of Beatles songs, ELO and the Cars. Pop Pop Art gave us money to go see The Empire Strikes Back at Seaview Square Mall. He always made me laugh. Heartfelt condolences to all our family. Scott Cotgreave

Scott Cotgreave - December 17, 2023 at 10:08 AM

CH

“ Jimmy was my very first friend at Najarian Associates when I started there back in the 90s. I spent nearly 15 years there. He was so kind, so talented and an amazing friend. This broke me, prayers for Cathleen and all the family. He will surely be missed!

Colby Hill-Trower - December 15, 2023 at 04:02 PM

TF

“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

The Diamond Family - December 15, 2023 at 01:31 PM

LS

“ When Jimmy was born, I was so happy to become an aunt. I enjoyed watching him grow from being Speed Racer as a little boy, to a talented singer in his teens and to having a successful career and marriage. Rest in peace my dear nephew. You will be missed.

Lynne Sickler - December 14, 2023 at 05:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



December 14, 2023 at 01:31 PM



“ Love, The Kennedy Family (Denise) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

Love, The Kennedy Family (Denise) - December 14, 2023 at 01:31 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



December 14, 2023 at 12:16 PM



“ Uncle Bob Burke purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



Uncle Bob Burke - December 13, 2023 at 03:22 PM

UB

“ Uncle Bob Burke planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

Uncle Bob Burke - December 13, 2023 at 03:22 PM

AC

“ Arthur C. purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



Arthur C. - December 13, 2023 at 12:47 PM

AC

“ Arthur C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

Arthur C. - December 13, 2023 at 12:47 PM

ED

“ Jim and Cathleen's bond was incredibly special. I believe that was felt from anyone who knew them. They were a beautiful gift to each other. I pray the memories keep Cathleen strong and pray peace for Jim's soul.

Love,
Eileen

Eileen Devlin - December 13, 2023 at 12:21 AM

RD

“ Roy Galifi & Carlo Durland purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



Roy Galifi & Carlo Durland - December 12, 2023 at 07:14 PM

RD

“ Roy Galifi & Carlo Durland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

Roy Galifi & Carlo Durland - December 12, 2023 at 07:14 PM

TM

“ The Faletti Aunts - Janice, Denise, Joanne, Marita purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



The Faletti Aunts - Janice, Denise, Joanne, Marita -
December 12, 2023 at 01:02 PM

RK

“ One of the most talented, personable, hilarious individuals that I had the honor to work and be friends with for 20 years. You will be missed Jim.

Robert Kuhne - December 12, 2023 at 12:27 PM

CH

I am heartbroken!

Colby Hill-Trower - December 15, 2023 at 03:59 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Michael Cotgreave.



December 12, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ Love the Importico Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Michael Cotgreave.

Love the Importico Family - December 12, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of James Michael Cotgreave



Bongarzone Funeral Home - December 11, 2023 at 10:01 PM