



## James "Jim" Henry Couch

May 16, 1937 - August 16, 2023

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Our most amazing, kind and wonderful father passed away peacefully in his home on August 16, 2023. He was 86 years young. He showered us with unconditional love, compassion, inspiration and guidance our entire lives. Our worlds revolved around him as he was our guiding light. The vast emptiness we feel will be only relieved by the endless memories we made together as a family. These cherished times will provide strength and hope forever.

Dad had a true zest for life! He was a joyful, happy soul and always had a spring in his step, humming a song or whistling a tune with his brilliant blue eyes sparkling all the while. Dad always said, "I know how to show myself a good time!"

Jim was raised in Welch, Oklahoma which is where the love story of Jim and Wanda began. Childhood sweethearts, they were married on June 28, 1958 and settled in Miami, Oklahoma. Soon thereafter, Jim joined the Marine Corp where his natural leadership skills and hard work ethic propelled his career. From BF Goodrich to Bomford, Couch & Wilson and beyond, Jim's professional success enriched so many lives.

Throughout his lifetime in Miami Jim was very involved in the community that he loved. Not only did he promote a positive perspective about Miami but he also enjoyed fostering others in the community to do their best. Jim was a

member of the local Jaycees, Miami Masonic Lodge, Akdar Shrine Temple, Grand Lake Shrine Club and the Royal Order of Jester's Court 47 of Tulsa. He was very involved with the Miami Chamber of Commerce, Miami Rotary Club and serviced on many foundation boards. Jim was an active member of All Saints Episcopal Church.

Jim was predeceased by his wife Wanda and his daughter Kirsten Couch. Jim is survived by daughters Gretchen Couch and Rachel Molokin, son-in-law Oleg Molokin and two treasured granddaughters Alexandra and Elizabeth. A funeral service for Jim will be held Saturday at 1:00 P.M. at All Saints Episcopal Church, Miami, OK. Arrangements are under the direction of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to All Saints Episcopal Church, 225 B Street NW, Miami, OK 74354 (918-542-3662).

Dad's love for our family was so strong, a bond that will never be broken. Deep in our hearts and souls, forever and generations to come, our cherished father will live on.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Jim's Tribute Page at [www.brown-winters.com](http://www.brown-winters.com).

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints' Episcopal Church

225 B Street NW  
Miami, OK 74354

# Previous Events

## Funeral

AUG **19**. 1:00 PM (CT)

All Saints' Episcopal Church  
225 B Street NW  
Miami, OK 74354

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of James "Jim" Henry Couch*

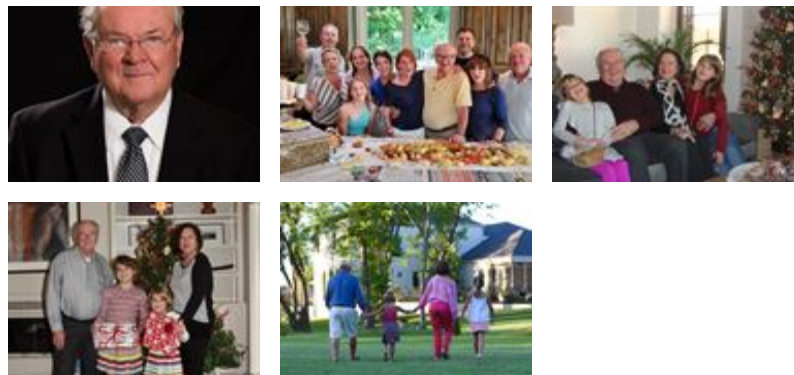


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**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - August 18, 2023 at 05:06 PM



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**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - August 18, 2023 at 04:35 PM

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“ THE MARINE PRAYER

*ALMIGHTY FATHER, WHOSE COMMAND IS OVER ALL AND WHOSE LOVE NEVER FAILS, MAKE ME AWARE OF THY PRESENCE AND OBEDIENT TO THY WILL.*

*KEEP ME TRUE TO MY BEST SELF, GUARDING ME AGAINST DISHONESTY IN PURPOSE AND DEED AND HELPING ME TO LIVE SO THAT I CAN FACE MY FELLOW MARINES, MY LOVED ONES AND THEE WITHOUT SHAME AND FEAR.*

*PROTECT MY FAMILY. GIVE ME THE WILL TO DO THE WORK OF A MARINE AND TO ACCEPT MY RESPONSIBILITIES WITH VIGOR AND ENTHUSIASM.*

*GRANT ME THE COURAGE TO BE PROFICIENT IN MY DAILY PERFORMANCE.*

*KEEP ME LOYAL AND FAITHFUL TO MY SUPERIORS AND TO THE DUTIES MY COUNTRY AND THE MARINE CORPS HAS ENTRUSTED TO ME.*

*MAKE ME CONSIDERATE OF THOSE COMMITTED TO MY LEADERSHIP.*

*HELP ME WEAR MY UNIFORM WITH DIGNITY, AND LET IT REMIND ME DAILY OF THE TRADITIONS WHICH I MUST UPHOLD.*

*IF I AM INCLINED TO DOUBT, STEADY MY FAITH: IF I AM TEMPTED MAKE ME STRONG TO RESIST; IF I MISS MY MARK GIVE ME COURAGE TO TRY AGAIN.*

*GUIDE ME WITH LIGHT OF TRUTH AND GRANT ME WISDOM BY WHICH I MAY UNDERSTAND THE ANSWER TO MY PRAYER.*

*AMEN*

*LCpl Clevenger Detachment*

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Debra Fortune - August 18, 2023 at 11:05 AM

JT

“ I met Jim while I was a caregiver for Wanda.. He was a wonderful man and will be missed.. He always made sure my favorite chips were in the pantry.. lol

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**Jessica Taylor** - August 17, 2023 at 02:34 PM

CW

“ I worked with Jim at Bomford, Couch and Wilson from 1977-1982. He was my first mentor in insurance. Thanks to Jim I have had that career for 46 years. Jim was always so nice and friendly. Always loved his sayings, a clean ship is a happy ship and for your edification. Rest east Jim.

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**Cathy Walls** - August 17, 2023 at 01:38 PM

VM

I applied for a job with the Bomford Sapp agency in march 1973. I had graduated from OSu In January 1973 with an accounting degree! At the end of the interview I was told I had to much education for the position  
A week later I received a call to please come in & visit with him & his partner. Tom Bomford & was hired to start the next day  
I continued working with the firm until June of 2017. Not only i work with the firm but with him on some of hie personal.stuff until Januay of 2023  
Team work was important to him & Mamy days the employees would hear it more than once a day. He treated us as family in lots of ways  
  
What a gentleman he was .

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**Virginia Miller** - August 18, 2023 at 07:04 PM

CI

“ Jim was such a fun person to be around! He was incredibly wise and always willing to talk and share advice, encouragement, and a story that would have you laughing! I can't remember a time when I did not get a big smile and I had to snag a hug when I could. This smile is one I know will be missed!

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**Charity Rogers - Rogers Insurance** - August 17, 2023 at 10:02 AM

SS

“ I worked for Jim at Bomford, Couch and Associates when I was in my early twenties. Jim was a new partner with his beautiful wife and three beautiful, young daughters. He was kind then and remained kind to me my entire life. Jim was especially proud of me for choosing to go to college and he often shared that with me. He would even boast to others about my accomplishments. But I never heard him boast about his own, which were huge. That was Jim.

*Jim was an eternal optimist. In his worst times, he would say, “Just another day in paradise.” I will miss him as the patriarch of our neighborhood. He always had a quick smile and happy words for each of us on his daily walks. But, I will mostly miss him as my friend of 55 years. And I will certainly miss his, “Hi Susie,” that he affectionately called me over the span of our long friendship. Rest in peace Jim.*

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**Sue Stidham** - August 16, 2023 at 09:47 PM