



## James Michael Whaley

September 23, 1950 - November 17, 2018

Jimmy passed away at his sister's home in Dayton, NV. and it was just like Jimmy to have standing room only family and friends surrounding him. He was proceeded in death by father James Douglas Whaley and sister Gale Marie Whaley.

Jimmy grew up in Santa Cruz. He did a short time in the Marine Corp, then returned to Santa Cruz. He worked many years for Williams Tree Service. He had a quick wit and enjoyed making people laugh. In his younger days he loved tipping a glass and a good brawl, something he inherited from his mother. He was very proud of his Chotaw heritage.

He is survived by his mother Mary Ella Williams, brothers Samuel Louis Emery, William Clay Ayers, Sisters Judith Lynn Wooley, Susan Mary Allen, and Patricia Jean Reid, God daughter Victoria Lynn Sheehan and love of his life Linda Little Trees.

There will be a celebration of his and his mother's life July 27, 2019.

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Michael Whaley*

November 04, 2023 at 08:25 PM



“ *James Michael Whaley*

November 01, 2023 at 12:58 PM



“ *His smile, laugh and voice are greatly missed...I still can't believe I won't have a chance to give him shit just one more time!*

**Gina Dianda Rittenhouse** - February 02, 2019 at 03:52 PM



“ *Jimmy was a funny guy. It's very rare for someone to always make me laugh, but he was one of them. The exchanges between Sam and him were always good and he always had that grin right after he'd say something. Jimmy, Sam, and I had breakfast the day he left for Nevada and he was very tired. But he still managed to get a few cracks in and even in his weakened state, he still managed that classic Jimmy smile. For a moment, he looked just fine. He'll be missed. Cool dude.*


**Ted Marchlevski** - January 14, 2019 at 05:34 PM



*When we first started partying my mom wasn't really liking what we were doing. Six months later she called him Romeo, never Jim. My sister would come from Texas just to give him a bad time. He could dish it out and take it as well. He got me to take up golf and I got addicted to it. We certainly had a fun time together. I miss talking or seeing him daily. Two weeks prior to leaving he made me promise not to fall back into the bottle. I love him and always will. I am not a writer so hopefully this comes out ok*

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**Sally Sullivan** - January 15, 2019 at 03:01 PM

 Tori Sheehan

“ *The greatest Godfather, always made me smile and laugh. Greatest laugh was watching the poor guy pour a beer lol always had a head and a little beer at the bottom. In the pic he reminds me of Rooster from The Ranch ♡*



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**Tori Sheehan** - January 13, 2019 at 05:44 PM

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“Kevin Butt Me, Jimmy, and Larry" by god" Smith took off from the buckhorn at two am in the morning and headed to Madera, Fresno, and Firebaugh. We hit every dance hall in these three towns, and every other bar in sight, for three days. We were at Frans Wagon Wheel, a pretty big club, with huge bouncers, I was 24 at that time, Im assuming Jiimmy was a little older, but not much. anyway we had our shirts off with a pile of money on the table, probably about 500.00 dollars. We told the waitress to keep the drinks coming until we ran out of money. The bouncers asked us to leave at first, but when they learned that we were not leaving without a fight, they got more bouncers and they camped around our table. Jimmy smiled at the bouncers and said you obviously don't know who we are, and proceeded to introduce all of us .he took his hat off, tipped his hat and started yodeling, as he did so often, that's how I knew he was around. The bouncers about 5 or 6 guys all about 250 lbs to about 275 lbs, decided they did not want to fight, but drank with us until closing time. By the time we left Jimmy was kissing the bouncers on the head, and they were kissing him on the head. If Jimmy was with you, you were covered, he was your friend, and that meant everything to him, he would die for those he liked or loved. I seen him get mad a few times over the years, but his HEART!!!!!! was huge. He had that shit eating grin, only he could pull off. Im sad to hear of his passing, he had the heart of a lion, but loved like no other, unconditionally .I played baseball with Jimmy as well, a great ball player. It was hard to be mad at him, he was honest about everything, like it or not. We sang rose colored glasses all night long at ball tournaments, and drank beer, stayed up all night, then played ball. Sometimes life takes us to different places and paths, wish I had time to say hello again, but God has different plans. So sorry for the loss of Jimmy Whaley, a true friend, brother, son, husband, father. My prayers go out to all the family for your grief. Before we said goodbye, back in the day, he loved to sing North to Alaska to me .Gods Speed Jimmy.

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Judith Wooley - January 11, 2019 at 03:05 PM

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*I can still hear Jimmy singing Rose Ciolored Glasses. And North to Alaska, Kalija, and many other songs. Great voice, and that yodel was so very unique. I saw him brawl a couple times, once defending me. He was a love, for sure.*

Linda - January 11, 2019 at 11:22 PM

JW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Judith Wooley - January 11, 2019 at 02:54 PM

DN

“ Jimmy was one of a kind. My wife Nancy and I will always love and remember him.

*Dennis and Nancy Newman*

dennis newman - January 04, 2019 at 07:07 PM

JW

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Judith wooley - January 03, 2019 at 11:03 AM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Judith Wooley - January 03, 2019 at 10:47 AM

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Judith Wooley - January 03, 2019 at 10:46 AM

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Judith Wooley - January 03, 2019 at 10:44 AM

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“ 5 files added to the album Jimmy



Judith Wooley - January 03, 2019 at 09:38 AM