



## James "Jim" Albert Covert

April 9, 1957 - September 6, 2019

James "Jim" Albert Covert, loving husband and father passed away at the age of 62 on Friday, September 6, 2019.

Jim was born on April 9, 1957, in Sacramento, CA, to James Edwin and Jeannette Elaine Covert. Jim graduated from Bella Vista High School in Fair Oaks, CA in 1975. During his high school years, he was very involved in Track & Field, competing as an award-winning long-distance runner. In addition, he joined the Boy Scouts, and became devoted to the scouting culture and all it represented. Jim achieved Eagle Scout Status, and was inducted into the Order of the Arrow.

He attended Ball State University and earned a Bachelors of Science in Industrial Technology. In 1981, Jim began his career with Cessna Aircraft in Wichita, KS working on the Citation Aircraft as a manufacturing engineer. His next position was plant engineer with Diebold, Inc. located in Memphis, TN, where he met his wife Denise. Later he accepted a position with Maul Technology in Winchester, IN as a sales manager. After relocating to FL, Jim was recruited by the Florida Department of Transportation in Boca Raton where he was responsible for implementing the new SunPass Toll System. For the past 11 years, Jim served as an IT Specialist with FPL (NextEra Energy).

Jim had a passion for the outdoors. His love of hiking, camping, canoeing and kayaking stemmed from scouting and continued throughout his life. He introduced scouting to his children, and served as Assistant Scout Master and Advancement Chairman. Jim proudly saw James and Timothy achieve Eagle Scout Status. In later years, he developed a passion for bicycling and was often accompanied by his riding partner Skippy.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Denise Covert, and his two sons, James and Timothy Covert; his three siblings, Cynthia (Scott Shimer), David (Diane), and Keith (Mandy) Covert; and his in-laws Esther Vizzi, Michael (Judy) Vizzi, Ellen Vizzi and Rusane (Thomas) Myers and eleven nieces and nephews.

### Visitation

SEP 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (EDT)

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110 Business Park Way

Royal Palm Beach, FL, 33411

Service

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# Events

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**SEP** **Visitation** 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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# Comments

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“ I just find myself thinking of Jim today, and missing him...

**Rusane Myers** - October 16, 2019 at 04:39 PM

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“ I met Jim in Puerto Rico, in 2018, where we were deployed in support of FPL crews and the restoration efforts there. Jim had a great work ethic and was always helping out both within and outside of his work discipline. He had a great sense of humor. We had breakfast, lunch and dinner together. We worked out together. I'm saddened by his passing. May you rest in peace, Jim.

**Orlando Rojas** - September 15, 2019 at 02:11 PM



“ Thank you Orlando. He enjoyed his time in PR.

**Denise Covert** - November 02, 2019 at 10:10 AM

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“ Herb Oldenburg lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Albert Covert



**Herb Oldenburg** - September 12, 2019 at 05:02 AM



“ Thank you Herb. He loved working with you.

**Denise Covert** - November 02, 2019 at 10:09 AM

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“ I want to take this opportunity to let Denise and all the Covert Family members that we sincerely will miss Jim and please accept our humble sympathy to everyone in the family. We all will miss Jim. It was very difficult to hear of his passing and he will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone in the entire Covert family and relatives included.

I had the opportunity to work with Jim at Juno Beach FPL and the West County site he took over. There was a reason they sent Jim to this west site because he was

always a real "Go To" guy and not just technically but personality wise also. Such a wonderful person to work with and I could always call Jim to troubleshoot something we were working on and brainstorm a solution. We talked CARS a lot since he was so involved with his brother and we shared many many stories on our experiences. Not only cars but boy scouts also and his love for biking. The bike riding was always showing as he would always offer to ask me to ride with him many times and was always ready to let us know about how his bike riding was going. Jim was a top top contributor to our group and always was brainstorming a way to automate our workflow and think about new ways to streamline our work.

I am including a few FPL pictures including a birthday bash we had for Jim. Also included is "Take Your Child To Work Day" pictures I have from when Jim assisted me with taking photo's of all the children that day.

Kind Regards;

Herb Oldenburg and family



**Herb Oldenburg** - September 12, 2019 at 05:00 AM

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Jim for the past 10+ years, and will sorely miss his kind smile. He was such a genuinely nice person! I still remember when we moved to Jupiter West and I found a little snake in one of the drawers that I showed Jim, who quickly told me to get away since it was highly poisonous. After he saved me, we discussed his time with the boy scouts and love of nature. My thoughts and prayers are with all who will miss him dearly.

**Kristi Baldwin** - September 11, 2019 at 02:30 PM

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“ Jim was my co worker but I met him back in 2013 when i moved to Jupiter West office to work with Power Delivery team. I came in contact with Jim as he was the only IT support personnel at Jupiter West at that time. Because of his friendly nature we become good friends. He would always stop by to see me when he was around my cube and we would catch up on our talks. At one point i said to myself I wish I worked in the same team as him and two years later I ended up joining his team and eventually moved to Jupiter West to work with him side by side. After moving to JW I realized how Jim is admired by everyone because of his calm and friendly nature even though he has been with FPL for 11 years only. In his absence everyone would inquire about his health and well-being. I am still in shock that he is no longer coming back. You will always be missed



**Munib Laeeq** - September 10, 2019 at 07:43 PM

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“ Jim was a gentle soul full of knowledge & great stories, and truly loved his family. My heart aches for his family and for all those who loved him. Looking at this picture reminds me of how he would tell stories and make me laugh. His spirit was and will always be with us all. "God bless you Jim...we'll be seeing you in Heaven one day"

Lisa

**Lisa Alvarez** - September 10, 2019 at 04:56 PM



“ Denise - I am so sorry for your loss. May you find peace, comfort and strength that can only come from our Heavenly Father. You are in our prayers.

**Terry McNatt** - September 11, 2019 at 07:34 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Celebrating my good friend Jim Covert

**Robert Weiss** - September 10, 2019 at 01:11 PM

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“ What can I say about a man I admired on so many levels. My deepest condolences & sympathies to this family that is grieving unimaginable pain. My heart really hurts,, he was taken away from us, far too soon.

**Robert Weiss** - September 10, 2019 at 12:04 PM

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“ I remember Jim being a very welcoming soul who always knew the answer to our IT issues. He had a beautiful heart and I remember very the stories he told of his daily rides. He's super deserving of his wings. May he RIP.

**Liz Pitre** - September 10, 2019 at 10:30 AM

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“ I have worked with Jim here at FPL for many years and have always been impressed in his dedication to his work and his and friendly easy going personality. Jim was not only a great employee but a awesome guy. I join everyone here at FPL who will miss him dearly and want to share condolences with your family.

**David Zak** - September 10, 2019 at 08:55 AM

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“ I met Jim when he started at FPL. He was a dedicated employee, hard worker, and a wonderful human being. He will be very missed here at the office, and the world has lost a great asset.

**Keith Best** - September 10, 2019 at 08:16 AM

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“ We met Jim through scouting. He was such a kind and knowledgeable person. Our family was so blessed to know Jim. He will be missed by so many. We send our deepest condolences to the Covert family.  
The Hunt Family

**Marie Hunt** - September 09, 2019 at 09:15 PM

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“ I believe Jim's everyday work fell into two main categories.  
First, he gathered specifications from high level executives, then architected and implemented several complex custom room-sized monitoring systems. He was professional, innovative and very capable.  
Second, he humbly served individuals by resolving routine IT issues. One day in my reporting job I noticed Jim had served a most outstanding quantity of people for the year.

He moved smoothly between the two groups with competence and a great attitude. He treated everyone with promptness and respect regardless of grade level. I'll always remember his smile and pleasant attitude as he came to solve anyone's problems.

Karen Monico, retired IT

**Karen K Monico** - September 09, 2019 at 08:49 PM

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“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Rusane Myers - September 09, 2019 at 05:42 PM

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“ Not just my brother-in-law, my brother.

Rusane Myers - September 09, 2019 at 04:58 PM

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“ My heart is aching for my sweet Friend, Denise, and Jim’s entire family in their loss of their dear Jim. We have our memories of having dinner at Disney last year and in Stuart this year when we visited. I know Denise and I can be quite “excited”, but Jim and Dave just take it in stride.



Elizabeth Greener McCallister - September 09, 2019 at 03:43 PM

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“ Jim will be missed by so many. He was always so kind and patient when helping resolve an issue. He was the “go to” guy for so many of us. His presence will be missed in Jupiter West. May his memory be eternal.

With sincere condolences,  
Mary Zivanov

mary - September 09, 2019 at 10:06 AM

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“ Our family was blessed by knowing Jim. From our first camping trip through his administration of the Eagle Oath to our son he remains one of the best mentors a son could have. He will be missed.  
The Mancuso Family



**charles mancuso** - September 09, 2019 at 09:26 AM

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“ Jim was such an incredible person and friend. Smart, hardworking, dedicated, funny and a great story teller. I loved hearing about all his adventures. Always willing to help when needed, knew the answer and fixed the problem. He was the "Go to Guy". Honored to have called him my friend. You will be sorely missed Jim.

**Sandy Monson** - September 09, 2019 at 08:52 AM

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“ Jim was a great person to be around and work with. I enjoyed the time I got to have with him. I will miss him.

**Paul Taylor** - September 09, 2019 at 08:07 AM

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“ Jim was super helpful and nice and will be missed. I will remember him when I ride by the tree.

**Steven Hataway** - September 09, 2019 at 07:30 AM

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“ Jim was always helpful and never let you walk away without a resolution to your problem, and always with a smile. I would ask him about his cycling adventures and he would ask me about my running, and always encouraged me to ride more. Jim will be very missed by a lot of people.

**Carolyn** - September 09, 2019 at 07:30 AM

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“ Whenever I'd need quick assistance with something, you'd ask anyone and they'd say "ping Jim Covert". He was truly the nicest guy ever! He always brought a smile to our faces. He will truly be missed by many FPLers.

**Danielle Wright** - September 08, 2019 at 10:58 PM



“ Steven Vaccarello lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Albert Covert



Steven Vaccarello - September 08, 2019 at 09:00 PM

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Steven Vaccarello - September 08, 2019 at 02:43 PM

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“ Jim always enjoyed his afternoon bike rides... he'd pick all kinds of flowers for Denise to take back home to her. He'd tell me about his they'd go riding near the ocean On Sundays... hoe he'd take Skipper did rides in the basket in his bike... his all the digs would go swimming when he came home. All of his inventions and patents... he enjoyed tinkering and creating things... he was truly brilliant and will be missed dearly by so many of us at FPL

Heather Garner - September 07, 2019 at 08:31 PM