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James Ware MacMeekin III was born in Cleveland, Ohio on January 3, 1932 to Dr. and Mrs. James MacMeekin, Jr. His early years were spent in Saginaw, Michigan before WW II caused the MacMeekin family to relocate to California where his father was to serve as Chief Medical Officer aboard the USS Orion, a Fulton Class submarine tender bound for Australia. James III and his mother Amber and sister Anne would wait out the war in Lake Worth, Florida.

After the war the family moved back to their home town of Saginaw, Michigan. In 1950, On the day that young James graduated High School from Arthur Hill High School, North Korea invaded South Korea. He spent four years serving in the Air Force both state-side and abroad achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant. James received an honorable discharge to attend Michigan State University where he earned a B.A and an M.A in economics and finance before being accepted into MSUs doctoral program.

In 1960, MacMeekin would leave Academe and entered Wall Street as a stock analyst, Partner-in-charge of Research, and eventually Chairman and CEO of his own venture capital firm.

After retiring and with the death of his wife of 43 years, JWM III turned his attention to teaching. He taught Middle and High School Math and English in the Polk County, Florida school district. He is also the author of 6 books on subjects ranging from education to history.

He enjoyed a wide range of recreational activities, including water-skiing, golfing, skeet and trap shooting, and was known to enjoy a game of cards in the gentleman's lounge at Morris County Golf Club.

James is predeceased by his Wife Barbara and daughter Pamalee. He is survived by his sister Ann, his 5 children, 6 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and 4 great great-grandchildren.



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Sandy posted:

James (Jim) MacMeekin was one of the most kind and gentle people I know. In the time that I knew him, he became not only my friend, but a father figure. I loved him dearly and wish I had had the chance to spend more time with him. My heart misses him deeply. Sandy Knowles

October 17 at 1:31 AM



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