

## In Memoriam

### Pauline Carver Westergard

Pauline Carver Westergard, Ogden, Utah, 69, passed away on July 13, 2025.

She was born on November 15, 1955, in Ogden, a daughter of Larry J. and Charlene Hazel Barrett Carver. She graduated from Weber High School in 1974 and married Delwyn Val Westergard in the Ogden Latter-day Saints Temple in 1977. She and her family operated Westergard Jerseys, a Registered Jersey herd in Ogden.

Pauline was a member of the Farr West 6<sup>th</sup> Ward, where she was an active member serving in many capacities. She had been a member of the Farr West 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th wards as well, serving as relief society president.

She was a special friend to many. Despite her health challenges, she always went above and beyond to call on and send cards and letters. She was known for her exceptional penmanship, and her kind acts of service and love will be missed.

Pauline loved to travel with her family. She enjoyed road trip adventures to Disneyland and the national parks, among others. Cherished memories include pillow fights at the hotel and gathering stickers to decorate her trusty scooter.

A favored pastime was shoeing horses with her dad and riding horses, especially her horse Joke. She also enjoyed reading, sewing, playing the piano and spending time with her cats. Above all, she enjoyed spoiling her granddaughter, Lilly Mae Steedley, the light of her life.

In addition to her husband, Delwyn, and lone granddaughter, Lilly, she is survived by three children, Daryn J. Westergard, Kristyn (Rob) Steedley and Megan Westergard; siblings Kenneth (Susan) Carver and Tom (Rosario) Carver; in-laws Lurlene, Vurlia, Diane and Max (Marcell) Westergard; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who brought joy to her life. The family is grateful for her special home care nurse, Ronal.

She was preceded in death by her parents and in-laws, Frank and Emeretta Westergard, and brothers-in-law, Gerlynn and Len Westergard.

In lieu of flowers, the family urges you to buy a shake or slushie as a cold treat in memory of Pauline and cherish the memories. Memorials may be made to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Humanitarian Fund.

### Robert Elliott James

Robert "Bob" Elliott James, Blacksburg, Va., 76, passed away on August 21, 2025, in Salem, Va., from a sudden illness.

Beloved by many, Bob led a life of enthusiasm and generosity, finding ways to deliver joy to others every day.

He was born on May 12, 1949, in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, to the late Homer Marks James and Elizabeth Setman. He earned an agriculture degree from the University of Delaware in 1971 and then received a master's degree from Virginia Polytechnic State Institute in 1975 and a Ph.D. from the university three years later.

He was a professor and extension specialist in dairy science at Virginia Tech, specializing in calf nutrition, until his retirement in 2016.

Known to many as Dr. Bob, he helped to start the Professional Dairy Heifer Growers Association, now known as the Dairy Calf and Heifer Association. He was also a consultant with Down Home Heifer Solutions and a calf management specialist with GPS Dairy Consultants. He was instrumental in developing the Dairy Herd Improvement Association's gold standards for raising dairy calves, heifers and dairy-beef animals.

He also bred Registered Jerseys using the prefix Down Home and worked with the national Jersey organizations on several projects, including a series of webinars on Jersey nutrition aired in 2018.

Bob embraced the mantra "no regrets" and lived every day to the fullest. He loved spending his time mentoring students and colleagues, telling stories, traveling domestically and internationally, riding his bicycle and motorcycle, working in his yard and garden, lecturing in classrooms and at conferences, showing dogs, donating platelets, and authoring publications and video blogs. More than anything, though, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Elizabeth Ann Dunnington of Blacksburg; his daughters, Erin (Doug) Ling of Blacksburg and Lindsay (Eric) Nyquist of Los Angeles, Calif.; his sister, Virginia "Jini" James of Melbourne, Fla.; two grandchildren; and his many students, colleagues and friends whom he considered family.

In his memory, consider donating to one of Bob's favorite causes: Blacksburg Interfaith Food Pantry or Feeding Southwest Virginia.

### John Paul Meimer

John Paul Meimer, Mount Gilead, Ohio, 79, passed away on August 29, 2025, at his home.

He was born on August 25, 1946, in Massillon, Ohio, to the late John and Marie (Bender) Meimer. He graduated from Massillon High School, then earned an undergraduate degree from Malone University and a master's degree from Adelphi University.

John worked for MedCentral in the information help desk department until his retirement.

He married the love of his life, Eddie Lou, in Mount Gilead on June 9, 1968, at Gilead Friends Church. Together, they spent their life raising their children on Pleiades Farm, a Registered Jersey farm in Mount Gilead. John also enjoyed spending time at the Worthington Farmers Market, where he and Eddie Lou sold their Pleiades Maple Products.

John was a member of Abundant Life Fellowship. He helped with the sound system and performed computer work for the church.

In addition to his wife of 57 years, Eddie Lou, he is survived by his children, James "Jim" (Mary) Meimer of Mount Gilead and Terri (Jeremy) Kestner of Sylvania; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandson and his brother, Ronald Meimer.

Memorial contributions may be made to Abundant Life Fellowship Church.