



James Lee Carter

August 31, 1948 - December 22, 2014

Jim Carter, retired professor of political science at Sam Houston State University, died December 22, 2014 in Houston, Texas at age 66. He is predeceased by his parents Henry Lee Carter and Virginia Tonnemacher Carter of Birmingham, Alabama.

He served as a military policeman in the U.S. Army from 1970-1972, including service in Germany.

Carter earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Alabama and a doctorate from the University of North Texas. He joined the faculty at Sam Houston State University in 1977, teaching political philosophy, environmental policy, and American government.

He had a long history of service to the university, including the Faculty Senate. He served on the Huntsville, Texas, City Council for nine years, including three years as Mayor Pro Tem. Carter was known for his strong sense of justice and support of measures to preserve the environment and cultural history of the community. He also held a post on the Texas Democratic Party Executive Committee (5th Senatorial district) for ten years.

Jim enjoyed the beauty of the Texas hill country and Southwest. He was a runner, cyclist and golfer and an accomplished photographer.

Jim will be remembered as a devoted and loving husband and father, as well

as a dedicated scholar and teacher. His family, friends, colleagues, and former students will miss him greatly.

He is survived by his wife Laura and daughter Inez.

The funeral service and burial will take place in Birmingham, Alabama on Friday, December 26, 2014 at 11:00 am at Jefferson Memorial Gardens East.

Cemetery Details

Jefferson Memorial Gardens

1591 Gadsden Highway 11
Trussville, AL 35235

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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