



James "Jim" Kendall Chancey

March 27, 2026

James "Jim" Kendall Chancey, a devoted husband, father, and friend, passed away surrounded by family on March 27, 2026.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Earle Kendall Chancey and Pearl Glisan Chancey, his sisters, Carole Amendolara, Kathryn Chancey, and Ellen Chancey.

Jim was born in Fairfield, California, and spent most of his youth in Yuma, Arizona, where he graduated from Kofa High School in 1977. He attended the University of Arizona and later graduated from the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV).

Jim dedicated most of his professional life to television broadcasting, serving at stations throughout South Texas, as well as in Yuma, Arizona, and Alexandria, Louisiana, before concluding his career in Victoria, Texas. He had a natural ability to connect with people and build genuine relationships — qualities that made him both successful in his work and deeply respected by colleagues and clients. Jim was also known for his creativity, loyalty, and his 'can-do' attitude, always ready to tackle any challenge with skill and determination.

Jim is survived by his wife, Mary Cozad; his sons, Patrick Chancey (Mary

Kate) and James Chancey (Vanessa); his stepchildren, Johnny Schach (Lacey) and Cynthia Schach; and his grandchildren, Ethan Chancey, Owen Chancey, and Gianna Chancey, whom he loved deeply. He also leaves behind his beloved Belgian Malinois, Sasha and Layla.

Jim's greatest pride and joy was his family. He was a devoted father who poured his time and heart into his sons' lives and deeply valued the moments they shared together. His love for his family was constant, steady, and deeply felt.

Jim also had a gift for bringing people together through hospitality. Whether cooking for friends and family or simply opening his home and heart to others, he made people feel welcome and cared for. He was a calm, steady presence and a source of kindness and encouragement to those around him.

Those who knew Jim will remember his kindness, his steady presence, and the way he made people feel welcome wherever he was.

A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 11 at St. John's Episcopal Church in McAllen, Texas, followed by the interment of ashes at the St. John's columbarium. A reception will follow in the St. John's parish hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to Hospice of South Texas in Victoria, Texas. Website- www.hospiceofsouthtexas.org.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 11. 3:00 PM (CT)

St. John's Episcopal Church
2500 N. 10th St.
McAllen, TX 78501