



Vincent (Jim) Mediate age 89, of Sheridan, Wyoming passed away at his home on Saturday, August 6, 2022. Vincenzo Mediati was born in Cirella Reggio Calabria, Italy on Thursday July 27, 1933 to Domenic and Rosina Maria Mediate. His family immigrated to the United States in 1935, settling in Sheridan, Wyoming, where he became known as Jim, he attended the area schools. Jim was a War Veteran serving during the Korean War, in the 1st Infantry Division (The Big Red One) of the US Army. Upon returning home, Jim attended and graduated from the University of Wyoming with a science degree. Out of College, Jim began his career working for the Federal food and drug administration as a health inspector, in Phoenix, AZ. When his father became ill, Jim relocated back to Sheridan to be near his family and help his father in business. Eventually, he took over his father's business running the D&F Liquor store on Main Street. Jim moved the business to Coffeen Liquor Store which he owned for over 50 years.

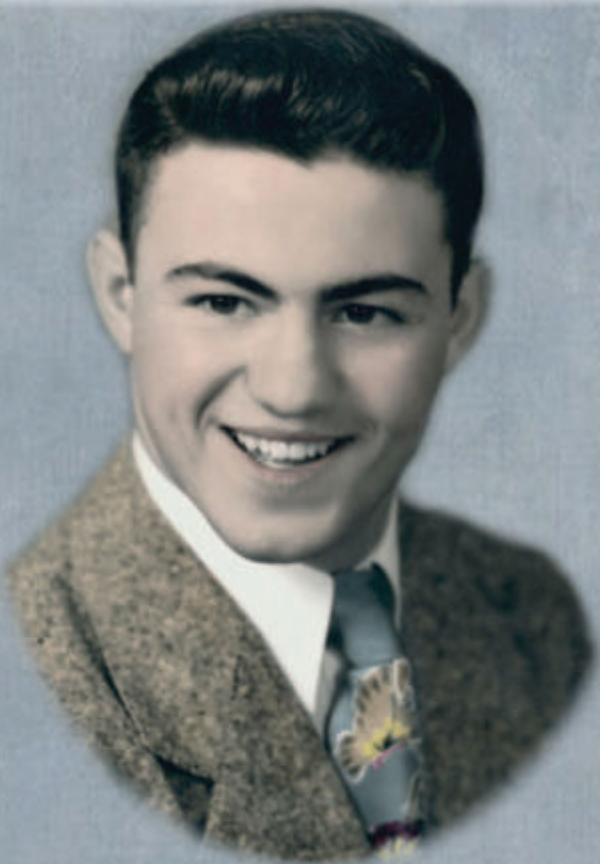
Jim was a regular at the YMCA everyday lifting weights and swimming. In his younger years (50's) he loved to play handball, participating in a few Division Championships. He played many high school sports, but his true love was football, where he excelled as a star running back. He was an avid sports fan and he loved watching the Denver Broncos every Sunday. His hobbies included golf, snow skiing, hunting, fishing, and camping in the Big Horn Mountains. Jim cherished his time with his family. He never missed an opportunity to visit his grandchildren. He loved to travel back to southern Italy to visit his relatives. Jim had a great sense of humor, was always the life of the party, his smile lit up the room. Jim was loved by all he touched. He was a wonderful Father, Grandfather, and Mentor. He doted on his grandchildren, he never missed calling on a birthday or sending his homemade birthday cards. He was mentor to all, his honesty, integrity, and always doing the right thing guided his family. We love and miss you.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents Domenic and Rosina, two sisters Lucia and Domenica, and one brother Frank. Jim was survived by four children, Vincent "Stan" Mediate (Christine) TX, Valerie Uervig (Monte) WA, Kathleen Pfeiff (Chuck) AZ, Kody Spaulding, SD; fourteen grandchildren, Angela Hammond (David), Domenic Mediate, Carmine Mediate, Rocco Mediate (Clara), Vincent Mediate, Bianca Gomez, Stephanie Gomez, Colton Uervig, Lance Stevens, Lonnie Stevens, Corey Pfeiff, Kayla Lasky, Reno Olvera, Cody Olvera; thirteen great grandchildren: Isabella, Emily, EllaClair, Everly, David, Vincent, Scarlett, Mia, Aubrey, Braydon, Sam, Odie, Ashley; and numerous other relatives.

# Vincent "Jim" Mediate

July 27, 1933 - August 6, 2022





Jim, thank you so much for being a GREAT Grandpa to our children. They have so many GREAT memories of the times they have spent with you. You always remember to call them on their birthday! They look forward to your visits or when we can visit you and they love your stories! Thank you!

A grandfather can be a grandchild's most important mentor, role model and guide and is a critical influence on their growth and success. According to AARP, researchers have determined "that grandchildren who have a close relationship with a grandfather are more likely to perform well in school, display positive emotional adjustment, have higher self-esteem and a greater ability to develop and maintain friendships". Grandfathers keep the family's history alive by passing on the details to a new generations. They recount firsthand how life has changed culturally and technologically through the ages. They teach powerful lessons by relating the joys, hard times and even mistakes in their own life. Because grandfathers generally need not fulfill parental responsibilities, their relationships with grandchildren are more open and relaxed. Without the fear of judgment and reprisal, grandchildren are more willing to confide fears, ask difficult questions and entrust their secrets. A grandfathers suggestions are more readily followed. Their behavior and actions can set the standard for the kind of man a grandson may become or the kind of man or granddaughter may choose to marry. They have the power to teach their grandchildren values like loyalty, patience, perseverance and self-sacrifice.

# *In Loving Memory Of* *Vincent Mediate*

## **MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Friday, August 19, 2022 at 10:00 am

Holy Name Catholic Church

With Military Honors

## **OFFICIATING**

Father Glenn Whewell

## **MUSIC**

On Eagle's Wings, Amazing Grace  
Ave Maria, Shall We Gather At The River

## **MUSIC BY**

Chuck & Annie Magera  
Doreen Choong

## **PALLBEARERS**

### **"Grandsons"**

Domenic, Carmine, Rocco, Vincent  
Colton, Lance, Lonnie, Corey

Interment to follow at the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

A lunch reception to follow at Kane Funeral Reception Hall.



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