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## James L. Beech

*Passed on April 11, 2016*



James Loranza Beech (Age 66) of Ashburn, VA passed away on Monday, April 11, 2016. Born in Washington, DC in 1949, his family lived in various places such as Japan and Germany, before settling in Falls Church, VA. He graduated from Falls Church High School in 1967, and Jamestown College (Jamestown, ND) with a degree in Philosophy/Religion and Sociology in 1971. He coached girls basketball and softball. He was employed by the Environmental Protection Agency as a computer programmer for 20 years.

He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Patricia Gaither Beech, and his brothers, Len William Beech (Tanya) and Robert Litton Beech (Barbara), his sister, Peggy Lee Manduke (Mark), and brother-in-law Michael Gaither. He was a proud uncle of Dale (Nicole), Stephen, and Dayna Beech; Matthew,

Scott, and Noelle Gaither; Jennifer and Michael Manduke. He also was a proud great-uncle of Austin and Nash Beech. He was predeceased by his parents, Anna Lee Witt and James Harold Beech, his nephew Christopher Beech, and his nephew, Kevin Manduke.

His friends and relatives all know Jim for his intense love of Macintosh computers, traveling to places such as Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, National Parks, University of Jamestown (Class of 1971 and Sigma Gamma Chi Fraternity), and Witt Family reunions (website and newsletters). Jim also assisted his wife in her volunteer work for Happy Hands, Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons, etc.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Floris United Methodist Church on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 1PM. Donations can be made in his memory to the Anna Lee Witt Beech Endowed Scholarship Fund at University of Jamestown, 6082 College Lane, Jamestown ND 58405. The scholarship will be awarded to a junior or

senior nursing student who has demonstrated a financial need.

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