



## James Edward Morton III

June 9, 1943 - February 16, 2026

James Edward Morton, III, 82, of Winchester died Monday, February 16, 2026 in his residence.

He was born June 9, 1943 in Rochester, PA the son of James, Jr., and Katherine McDade Morton.

He married Linda Allen September 21, 1963.

Professionally, he was a machinist at Crown, Cork, & Seal for 35 years until his retirement. This is where he developed his love of PEPSI.

He loved bowling and achieved a perfect 300 score on February 14, 1989. He loved his family and mowing the grass.

In addition to his wife of 62 years, he is survived by his children, James Morton, IV and his wife, Lisa of Winchester; and Kimberly Merritt and her husband, Keith of Stephens City; grandchildren, Sarah Merritt (Eric) & Mary Merritt (Tom); great-grandchildren, Madelynn & McKynzie.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his stepmother, Irene Morton.

A funeral will be 11:00 am Tuesday in Phelps Funeral Chapel 311 Hope Drive Winchester officiated by Pastor Roy Carper, Jr. Burial will be in Shenandoah Memorial Park. Casket bearers will be Keith Merritt, Eric Whitt, Tomas Butterick, Randal Whitt, Richard Ashby, and Brian Whitt.

Friends will be received Monday 6-8:00 pm in the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Phelps Funeral Chapel  
311 Hope Drive  
Winchester, VA 22601

## Funeral

FEB **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Phelps Funeral Chapel  
311 Hope Drive  
Winchester, VA 22601

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ Prayers for Linda and for the family.  
Debby Copley

Debra Copley - March 13 at 08:22 PM

PO

“ I will miss u jimmy im so sorry Linda and  
family we will miss him at the diner.



Patricia Olis - February 24 at 08:03 AM

LW

“ My deepest sympathy for Linda and family.  
Linda you are in my thoughts and prayers.



Leanne Wilkins - February 24 at 05:54 AM

LW

“ Leanne Wilkins lit a candle in memory of  
James Morton



Leanne Wilkins - February 23 at 04:55 PM

BS

“ *Linda, Jimmy, and Kim, I was so sorry to hear that Jim passed away on Monday. He was a wonderful neighbor and a true friend to my family. When we lose someone so close—like a spouse or a parent—their love and strength continue to live on through us. May you find peace, comfort, and understanding during this difficult time.*

*Bob Snyder*

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**Bob Snyder** - February 19 at 12:07 PM

BS

“ *Bob Snyder lit a candle in memory of James Morton*



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**Bob Snyder** - February 19 at 11:43 AM