

The Supportive Caregiver

James E. "Jim" Scheid (FCAS 1969)

1934-2020

Jim Scheid, 86, of Simsbury, Connecticut, died July 22, 2020, at the home of his daughter.

Scheid was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and graduated from Franklin and Marshal with a degree in mathematics. He moved to Connecticut and spent his entire career in the insurance industry, the majority of which was spent with the Hartford Insurance Group as an actuary and executive. He also worked for the United Way, where he served others including delivering "Meals on Wheels" to his community.

He was a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He provided compassionate care to his wife, Betty Lou, during her final years dealing with dementia. The couple were married for 61 years.

He enjoyed camping, gardening, jogging, walking his dogs and skiing, which became a lifetime pursuit and passion. He enjoyed times spent with friends and family at the Okemo Mountain ski area in Ludlow, Vermont – he was notorious for wearing a lime green ski suit.

Scheid was described as naturally good-hearted, generous, unassuming, sensitive and quick-witted. He loved animals and one special pet was by his side when he died. He was a supportive parent, encouraging his children in all their endeavors.

Survivors include sons Jim (Mary Claire DeHaven) Scheid Jr. and Steve (Lisa) Scheid; daughter Sue (Tom) Vogt; seven grandchildren; and one great grandchild.