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## The Navajo Nation honors the life of Army Veteran and former Sheep Springs Council Delegate Edward V. Jim, Sr.

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**SHEEP SPRINGS, N.M.** — Speaker Seth Damon and members of the 24th Navajo Nation Council offer their condolences to the family of respected community leader and Army veteran Honorable Edward V. Jim Sr. who passed away last week at the age of 76.

Jim was born on April 7, 1946, and is originally from Shonto, Ariz. He is Ta'neezahnii (Tangle People Clan), born for 'Ashjihii (Salt People Clan). Before serving 16 years on the Navajo Nation Council from 1994 to 2011, Jim was the Sheep Springs Chapter grazing official and secretary/treasurer from 1989 to 1994.

“Honorable Edward V. Jim Sr. was a loving father, grandfather, and beloved husband who was revered in his community for his leadership and devotion to his faith. Beloved by all who knew him, Mr. Jim was a humble and caring man who deeply loved his family and the community he served. The Navajo people send prayers of protection to give strength to his family during this time,” said Speaker Seth Damon (Bááhaalí, Chichiltah, Manuelito, Red Rock, Rock Springs, Tséyatoh).

Prior to his service with the Navajo Nation government, Jim was stationed in South Korea with the United States Army from 1970 to 1972 before serving another two years in the Army Reserves.

“Pastor Jim gave so much to our communities and brought people together in faith. Leading the Sheep Springs Navajo Pentecostal Church, he spoke of compassion and giving back. It was an honor to have served alongside him in the 21st Navajo Nation Council. He will forever be remembered as a humble man of kindness and integrity,” said Council Delegate Herman M. Daniels Jr. (Ts'ah Bii' Kin, Navajo Mountain, Shonto, Oljato).

Funeral services for Honorable Edward V. Jim Sr. will take place on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 10 a.m. in Sheep Springs, N.M. He is survived by his beloved wife Eleanor Jim and his children, Edward Jim Jr., Paul Jim III, and Angelina Reeves.



PHOTO: Army Veteran and former Sheep Springs Council Delegate, Edward V. Jim, Sr.

“Honorable Edward V. Jim Sr. provided leadership for years to the Sheep Springs and Two Grey Hills Chapters advocating for our elders and veterans at the local level. A loving husband to his wife Eleanor, he was a supportive father and grandfather who loved being with his family on Sundays. He served the Navajo people with the utmost dignity and compassion. We offer our sincere condolences to those who loved Edward and send prayers to the Creator to bring comfort to his family,” said Madam Chair Amber Kanazbah Crotty (Cove, Toadlena/Two Grey Hills, Red Valley, Tsé’á’náoozt’í’í, Sheep Springs, Beclabito, Gad’ii’áhí/Tó Ko’í).

President Jonathan Nez issued a proclamation calling for all flags on the Navajo Nation to be flown at half-staff on Thursday, May 19, 2022, in honor and remembrance of Jim. Madam Chair Amber Kanazbah Crotty will officially present a Navajo Nation Flag to the family to honor his years of service to the Navajo people and the citizens of New Mexico.

Donations for the family are being accepted by his daughter, Angelina Reeves, via Zelle at (505) 419-3885.

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