

It is with great shock that we discovered our gregarious CS07 squadron mate, Jimmy D. Amos, had died on April 10, 2024. He died of a massive heart attack on the driving range in Myrtle Beach, SC. Five days later over 100 golfers came to his memorial service at the chapel near his golfing residence.

Jimmy's athleticism was instrumental in CS07 winning the Wing Malanaphy Trophy 3 of our 4 years. In addition to athletics, Jimmy was key to our squadron life - first to join any pick-up game, ski trip, and summer road trips. Jimmy was also a skilled prankster, which often brought swift retribution. He was a charter member of the CS07 'Shuffle Staff', a clandestine core of eight poker players, who played in the eastern end of Vandenberg Hall, AKA the 'DMZ'.

Jimmy married his Colorado University sweetheart, Denise, while in pilot training at Williams AFB AZ. They moved to Kincheloe AFB MI to fly KC-135s until it closed in 1977, and then to Kirtland AFB NM to fly T-39s. In 1979 they moved to Miami and joined Eastern Airlines, and then in 1989, he transferred to American Airlines.

Denise and Jimmy had two boys:

- 1) Jake (1981), an American Airlines pilot living in Colombia, South America (with his wife and Jimmy's Grand Daughter (2022)), and
- 2) Matt (1984), a professor and coach at Millbrook Boarding School in NY (with his wife).

In 1984 Jimmy and Denise separated, and the next year Jimmy married Tina, who had a 12-year-old son, Brent Maddox. Around 2010, Jimmy and Tina bought a summer home on a golf course in Helen, GA to be near Brent and his four children. They permanently moved there after retiring from American Airlines in 2016.

Since graduation, Jimmy has been a regular at squadron reunions - most recently in 2022 gathering of 12 squadron mates and spouses in Peachtree City GA. He spent his last few years golfing, flying his Bonanza, and being a full-time caregiver for Tina. This year (2024) Tina moved to the Lural Lodge Memory Care home in Cleveland, GA, to remain near her son, Brent. If you have memories you would like to share, send them to Matt Amos, at mamos@millbrook.org, who will share with the rest of the family.

We miss you, Jimmy, there will always be a piece of your laugh and your selflessness with every Seagram's toast we make.

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