## **James Seiber**



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Maryville, TN

James Edward Seiber, born February 1, 1928 in Knoxville TN, died October 3, 2015 in Maryville, TN. He was the husband of the late JoAnn Cawood Seiber, and son of the late Homer and Martha Seiber. He

was a lifelong fan and donor to the University of Tennessee athletic programs, men and women's, and played football and baseball for the Vols. In 1948, while a member of the University of Tennessee football team coached by General Robert Neyland, Jim enlisted in the National Guard. He remained inactive until the Korean War broke out in 1950. The 278th regiment was shipped to Fort Devens Massachusetts where Jim continued his football career on a team that compiled a 20-1 record over the next two years. His first ambition was to play professional baseball. He played for Pennington Gap in 1949-1950 until he was drafted. Jim joined Wm. S. Trimble Co as a salesman in 1952. He served as President at Trimble from 1968 through 1987 and retired as Chairman of the Board in 1993. He was fond of traveling with JoAnn, and much loved cousins and friends. Jim developed a passion for landscaping and gardening in his retirement. He will be missed by his family, for whom he cared deeply and supported without reserve, by his former colleagues, numerous friends, and classmates from Knoxville High School, and former neighbors from West Haven, Lakemoor Hills, and Woodwinds in Banner Elk, North Carolina.

He is survived by children, Edward Seiber, of Atlanta GA, Marta Murrell and husband, Tim, Grant Seiber, both of Knoxville; grandsons, Jordan Knight, Michael Knight and wife, Ashley, Ethan Murrell; sisters, Ruth Floyd and Janet Sanders.

The family will hold a memorial service at Lake Hills Presbyterian Church, 3805 Maloney Road, Knoxville TN 37920 at 1:30 pm Tuesday, October 13. Receiving of friends at the church will begin at 12:30 pm and a celebration of Jim's life will take place at Calhoun's on the River from 3 pm to 5 pm. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to Lake Hills Church for missions. Announcement by Berry Highland Memorial Funeral Home.



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