

DAD LOVED ROTARY

Thoughts about Jim Adamson Sr. PDG by his son Jim Adamson PDG

Dad loved Rotary. He enjoyed the people he met and worked with more than anything. He started off his years in Rotary in Moses Lake, where he held the office of President. As in Leavenworth, he was very active in all aspects of Rotary and eventually was chosen District Governor in 1976-77.

After moving to Plain, he immediately became a member of the Leavenworth Club. There wasn't a person he met that he didn't talk about Rotary with, and for that reason he brought in more members than anyone year after year.

Dad volunteered for every project Leavenworth was doing. He loved the hands-on part of Rotary. Whenever something needed to be made, Dad volunteered to do it. One of his favorite projects was making Adirondack chairs for Leavenworth's auctions. (He made them for every other group in town, for that matter). Pretty soon, half of Leavenworth had a "Jim Adamson" Adirondack chair.

Dad always wanted to make sure everyone in the club was happy. He was the best listener and encourager anyone could ask to be around. He treated everyone as if they were his "favorite" friend. Dad had a heart of gold.

The Jim Adamson Fund

The Jim Adamson Fund was created in honor of a truly great Rotarian and man, Jim Adamson. It was created as a way to save for a major long term project or projects. Unlike the Ed Cadman Fund, which is a tax advantaged account, contributions to the Jim Adamson Fund are not tax deductible. However, the benefit is that there are no restrictions as to how the club can allocate the funds.

This fund is held in an investment account with TD Ameritrade. It's invested in a moderately aggressive portfolio. Members of the club are invited to make contributions every year when they pay their dues, or anytime they feel generous. The board can also allocate club funds to the Jim Adamson Fund.

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