



James Harland "Fuzzy" Lockhart, IV

May 3, 1951 - February 16, 2026

James Harland Lockhart, IV, "Fuzzy the Clown," age 74, of Meade Street, Buckhannon, died Monday, February 16, 2026, at Holbrook Healthcare Center in Buckhannon. He was born on May 3, 1951, in Miami, FL, to the late James Harland Lockhart, III and Marjorie Carol Jackson Lockhart. On July 11, 1981, he was united in marriage to Sandra Kay Cobb Lockhart, who survives. In addition to his wife, he is also survived by one son James Harland "Jamie" Lockhart, V, of Pittsburgh; two sisters: Linda Chervenka of Fountain Hills, AZ and Bonnie Patterson of Entriken, PA; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by one sister Rebecca Bowers.

Jim was a graduate of Point Park College in Pittsburgh with a Master's degree in Education. He went on to spend over 30 years teaching, mostly Kindergarten and Preschool. In the late-1990s, he was honored with USA Today's "Teacher of the Year" award. His love for children extended beyond the classroom as he brought countless smiles to both young and old with his "Fuzzy the Clown" persona. His joyful nature and caring heart will be fondly remembered and missed by many.

The body will be cremated. The family will receive friends at the Heavner & Cutright Funeral Chapel on Sunday, May 3, 2026, from 1:00-3:00 PM, at which time a memorial service will begin in the funeral chapel with the Rev. Dr.

Paul G. Rebelo officiating.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 3. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Heavner & Cutright Funeral Chapel
940 Route 20 South Road
Buckhannon, WV 26201

Memorial Service

MAY 3. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BA

“ *Sandy and Jamie, we are so very sorry for your loss.*

Bonnie and Dave Alkire - April 30 at 07:00 PM

TC

“ *The Crawford's purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of James Harland "Fuzzy" Lockhart, IV.*



The Crawford's - April 29 at 04:38 AM

TC

“ *The Crawford's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Harland "Fuzzy" Lockhart, IV.*

The Crawford's - April 29 at 04:38 AM

EH

“ *So sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. I remember you from Adrian Grade School and the Golden Horseshoe. My sincere condolences. Edryth Bragg Harris*

Edryth Bragg Harris - February 24 at 09:23 AM

MB

“ *Sandi and Jamie,
Please accept my deepest sympathy and prayers. Jim was a very kind and caring person and his life touched so many, bringing smiles and learning experiences. It was always a pleasure to visit his classroom and observe his joy in teaching young children. May Our Heavenly Father Hold You Close During These Difficult Days.*

Millie McGee Beer

Millie Beer - February 21 at 03:00 PM

BZ

“ *Barbara Zickefoose lit a candle in memory of James Harland "Fuzzy" Lockhart, IV*



Barbara Zickefoose - February 21 at 01:46 PM

BZ

Rest in peace my friend

Barbara Zickefoose - February 21 at 01:47 PM

CR

“ *I volunteered in class at French Creek while my son attended. Mr. Lockhart was a delightful gentleman. Even years later always teaching and making us laugh and smile for days with his common sense. He will be missed by many of us, but would not want us to be saddened. Sending Love and Prayers*

Cindi Riggs - February 21 at 07:22 AM

VJ

“ Sandy, I'm so sorry for your loss, he was a great person. Love n Prayers for your family.

Vickie Jordan-fidler - February 20 at 06:18 PM

DB

“ Sandy, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. 🙏

Dolores Boyles - February 20 at 09:59 AM

RH

“ Jim was always so kind to me, and treated me like a son. He would take Jamie and myself on various trips - to Pittsburgh, the movies, even Universal Florida one summer. He would share stories, life advice, and jokes. He also willingly participated as an actor in some of our home-made films. I fondly remember him referring to me as "Mr. Ryan." He will be sorely missed by those who knew him. Thoughts and prayers to Jamie and Sandy

Ryan Huffman - February 19 at 10:35 PM

WB

“ I met Jim at the Mountain Madness Clown Convention back in the 90's We roomed together and I helped him with his makeup. We became good friends and met up at different conventions. Jim was always so happy go lucky and very proud of Jamie. Always had great stories to tell about Jamie's success in his career.

Willy Burnette - February 19 at 08:02 PM

M(

“ He will forever be remembered as Fuzzy the Clown but he was my kindergarten teacher at French Creek Elementary. He was a great man.

Michelle Davis (Hanline) - February 19 at 07:02 PM

JJ

“ The way Jim would beam with pride whenever he got the chance to talk about Jamie was always so sweet to witness. His joy just seemed to naturally overflow to those around him. All of my thoughts and prayers to Jamie and Sandy.

Jessica Jenkins - February 19 at 06:25 PM

RI

“ I can only remember good things about Jim. Meeting him as a clown at conventions, and then He and son performing in the late 90s at our haunted attraction. Such a nice guy.

Ricky - February 19 at 05:44 PM

BB

“ So very sorry for your loss. When we were having the Annual Fall Fest a many years ago, the children always loved and looked forward to seeing "Fuzzy the Clown." He was so good with the children. Very kindhearted man.

Bruce and Jackie Bennett

Bruce and Jacqueline Bennett - February 19 at 04:06 PM

CW

“ I first met Jim when we both worked at WBUC Radio, many years ago. He became a friend and we ran into each other many times over the years. He was a good man, always had a joke and a big smile and a hug. Our little community will miss him.

Carol Jean Walton - February 19 at 09:41 AM

PH

“ Jim was a kindergarten cohort of mine. We worked together for many years at Academy Primary. We were both transplants from Pennsylvania and Shared birthdays together. I was lucky enough to have Jamie in my class. He was so proud of his son. I visited him twice at Holbrook and shared memories. I am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to Sandy and Jamie. 💕

Penny Haymond - February 19 at 09:32 AM

JP

“ Jim touched so many lives in the best way. Grateful to have been his kindergarten aide and friend for many years. Prayers for Sandy and Jamie. Judy Patterson


Judy Patterson - February 19 at 09:23 AM

RU

“ Jim certainly found his calling as a teacher, clown, husband, and father.


Prayers for Sandy, Jamie, and family. Ruth Lewis

Ruth - February 19 at 12:42 AM

 Melvin
Woody

“ I am sorry for your loss. May God give strength and comfort. He was my Kindergarten teacher at Adrian Elementary. There was a wooden train we all fought over. I got to it first one day and another boy jumped on my back and i threw him off. I didnt tell mom about it. Jim worked part time at the radio station with my uncle Ron. The next Sunday morning Ron told the story and my Grandparents Sunday Diner. Oh boy!

Melvin Woody - February 18 at 10:49 PM

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JS

“ I am so sorry to hear of this sad news of Jim passing away. We were friends for a long long time during the days of WBUC Radio broadcasting. Jlm was a true friend, I can still hear his laughter when he would talk about our times at the station. Always a friend.

Jim Smith - February 18 at 08:10 PM

SB

“ I worked with Jim at French Creek School for many years. He was a wonderful teacher and great to work with. My sincere condolences to his family. Praying for peace and comfort for you all. Sheryl Brown

Sheryl Brown - February 18 at 07:21 PM

BS

“ 📍 So sad to hear of his passing. I first met him and his partner Stubbles many years ago where they were "clowning around", first at the Strawberry Festival where I was the Face Painter in front of the Court House & at other events. We ran into each other at many fairs and festivals over the years. He was a fine and caring gentleman who will be truly missed.

Barbara Simmons - February 18 at 07:12 PM

LC

“ I am so sorry for your loss! I have so many fond memories from my childhood with him being at our birthday parties.

Lisa C. - February 18 at 06:38 PM

EC

“ Prayers of strength and comfort lifted for Jim's family and his repose soul.

Ed Collins - February 18 at 06:22 PM

MM

“ Sandy and Jamie I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Lockhart. He was loved by so many. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.



Melissa Mullins - February 18 at 05:24 PM

CR

“ Jim was a good man and wonderful friend. He and my husband Ron Roth were good friends and shared so many good times on stage at local events and behind the microphone at WVUC Radio. Jim was caring and kind and very brave during his long fight with heart problems. He kept such a good positive attitude and never let them keep him down. We will miss him in our community. My condolences to Sandy and to their son Jamie during this sad time.

Connie Roth - February 18 at 05:07 PM

EA

“ *Sandy and family,
We are sorry for your loss.
Roger and Libby Abel*



Elizabeth Abel - February 18 at 04:48 PM

MS

“ *My sincere condolences 🌸*

Mike Sharpolisky - February 18 at 02:52 PM

SW

So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He brightened the lives of so many and shared his talents to their fullest. Sending love, hugs and prayers.

Sandy and Ron Williams - February 18 at 09:12 PM

CC

Sandy and family... my sincere condolences. Jim was a delight and funny man. He always liked to "clown around" even when he didn't have his red nose one. He will be missed by many friends, as well as family. May the Lord comfort your hearts with His love to you.

Carol Campbell - February 19 at 09:29 PM

SR

Jim was my neighbor and a very kind man. I was in the church parking lot across the street from our houses teaching my step-grandchildren to ride bicycles. Jim watched them struggle to balance on their new bikes. He came over to give them some encouraging words and he gave them coupons for free ice cream at Dairy King for their hard work learning to ride!

Susan Rice - March 12 at 11:47 AM