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**Flags to be flown at half-staff in honor of  
U.S. Army veteran and Diné leader Edward V. Jim, Sr.**

**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** — On Tuesday, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer 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 U.S. Army veteran Edward V. Jim, Sr., who passed away on May 10, 2022 at the age of 76. He is Ta'neezahnii (Tangle Clan) and born for 'Áshjji (Salt People Clan), and was originally from Shonto, Ariz.



“We join the family, friends and many people who have been touched by the extraordinary life of Edward V. Jim, Sr. His faith and fearless passion for his people was a great inspiration to all, as he served in leadership roles for the Sheep Springs and Two Grey Hills communities for years. His powerful and comforting voice delivered many messages of hope and encouragement to his family and countless others throughout his lifetime. In honor of his life and contributions to our communities, we should aspire to keep his legacy alive through our actions and service for one another. Our prayers and thoughts are with his family and loved ones. He will be dearly missed,” said President Nez.

Jim served in the U.S. Army from 1970-1972 in South Korea before serving another two years in the U.S. Army Reserves. Following his military service, he served as a grazing official and secretary for the Sheep Springs Chapter from 1989-1994. He then served four terms as an elected member of the Navajo Nation Council from 1994-2011.

At the time of his passing, Jim was the pastor of the Sheep Springs Navajo Pentecostal Church. He is survived by his beloved wife Eleanor and his children Edward Jim, Jr., Delphina Jim-James, Paul Jim, III, Joshua Jim, and Angelina Reeves.

“May God continue to comfort the late Edward Jim’s family during this difficult time, as we mourn the loss of a great leader who helped our communities and many of our people throughout his lifetime. He was a person of great faith. We can rest assured that he is in the hands of our creator and we pray that his legacy lives on in the hearts of his family,” said Vice President Lizer.

Funeral services for the late Edward V. Jim Sr. will take place on Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. MDT in Sheep Springs, New Mexico. Donations for the family are being accepted by his daughter, Angelina Reeves via Zelle at (505) 419-3885.

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**THE NAVAJO NATION**

*Proclamation*

**IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF  
U.S. ARMY VETERAN AND DINÉ LEADER EDWARD V. JIM, SR.**

**THE NAVAJO NATION** honors the life of our Diné Warrior, U.S. Army Veteran Edward V. Jim, Sr. We are very grateful for his contributions to the Navajo Nation and the United States and offer this special recognition:

**WHEREAS**, the Navajo Nation is greatly saddened by the loss of Edward V. Jim, Sr. of Shonto, Arizona, who is Ta'neeszahnii (Tangle Clan) and born for 'Áshijhi (Salt People Clan); and

**WHEREAS**, we honor Jim for his service in the United States Army, and for his service to the Navajo People as Secretary and Grazing Official for Sheep Springs Chapter and as a member of the Navajo Nation Council from 1994 to 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the Navajo Nation offers its prayers and condolences to family, including his six children, his friends and community members.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jonathan Nez**, President of the Navajo Nation, and **I, Myron Lizer**, Vice President of the Navajo Nation, do hereby proclaim that all flags on the Navajo Nation shall be flown at half-staff on May 19, 2022, to honor the memory and service of the late U.S. Army Veteran Edward V. Jim, Sr.

**ORDERED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2022**

  
Jonathan Nez, *President*  
**THE NAVAJO NATION**

  
Myron Lizer, *Vice President*  
**THE NAVAJO NATION**