Honoring Jim

Many of Jim’s friends, colleagues, and students have asked about the opportunity to give in Jim's name. In consultation with Jim’s family, the Sociology Department has created the James G. Ennis Memorial Fund for undergraduate sociological interest and research. Donations may be made by check, online payment, or telephone.

By check:
Make your check payable to Trustees of Tufts College, and mail to: Tufts University P.O. Box 3306 Boston, MA 02241-3306. Please indicate on the memo line that your donation is for the "Sociology-Ennis Fund."

Online:
- Go to the Tufts online giving page (giving.tufts.edu)
- Under 'Select a School' choose 'Arts and Sciences'
- Under 'Select an Area' choose 'Other'
- Fill in the 'Other' text box with 'Sociology Department'
- Under 'Dedicate Your Gift' choose 'In Memory of' and write in 'Prof. James G. Ennis'

By phone:
Please call 866-351-5184 and mention Sociology: the James G. Ennis Memorial Fund.

Special Thanks to the Dean’s Office for their generous support; Rabbi Jeffrey A. Summit; Pawan Dhingra, Chair of Sociology; and John LiBassi and Victoria Dorward for their assistance in planning this memorial.

Jim’s memory can also be honored by participating in the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry at BeTheMatch.org. Testing is as simple as putting a cheek swab in the mail, and donating can be as easy as giving blood.

Celebration of Life

September 21, 2015
12:00P.M.
Granoff Family Hillel Center
Tufts University

In memory of
James G. Ennis
1953-2015
Associate Professor of Sociology
Tufts University
Psalm 23 (Revised)

Planet earth is my shepherd, I shall not want
It makes me lie down in green pastures;
It leads me beside the still waters.
It restores my soul and protects the future of my children.
It guides me in straight paths for its name’s sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for nature is with me.
Your rod, your staff, and your compassion, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies,
You have anointed my head with oil;
my cup runneth over with love for you.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I shall dwell in the house of my loved one forever.

Order of Service

Greeting
Rabbi Jeffrey A. Summit,
Tufts Jewish Chaplain

Remembrances:
David Harris, Provost and Senior Vice President
James M. Glaser, Dean of Arts & Sciences
Paul Joseph, Professor of Sociology
Katherine Sadowski, A10, former student
Gloria Garfunkel, wife of Jim Ennis

Open Sharing

Those who would like to share a remembrance of Jim are invited to do so at this time.

Closing
Rabbi Summit

Please join us for a light lunch immediately following the service.

About Jim

Jim joined the faculty at Tufts in 1983 and served the Tufts community in many roles. He was Chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology from 1998-2005. He served on major committees for Tufts, the American Sociological Association, and beyond. Most of all, he had a brilliant mind, artistic eye, and generous spirit that brought a smile to everyone’s face. He made lasting impressions on his students and colleagues inside and outside of the academy. Needless to say, his presence in our lives is missed greatly. Jim is survived by his wife, Gloria Garfunkel, his two sons, Noah and Sam Ennis, and his brother Mark.