

Dear Colleagues:

It is with deep sadness and regret that I inform you of the passing of James D. Crum, dean emeritus of the College of Natural Sciences and longtime CSUSB faculty member.

Jim, 87, was living in Slayton, Ore., with his wife, Anne, who was a staff member in the Foreign Languages Department in the College of Arts and Letters. Both retired from the university in the early '90s. He is also survived by his daughters, Leslie and Jennifer as well as a son, James Jr. This is a true loss for the entire CSUSB family and all those who knew and worked with Jim. Please join me in keeping his family in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

A professor of Chemistry, Jim joined the CSUSB faculty in 1966. Recognized for his work in organic chemistry, he was co-author of *Experimental Organic Chemistry*, a widely used textbook. After serving as Chemistry Department chair, in 1972 he was named chair of the Natural Sciences Division. He also spent four years on faculty senate.

Those who knew Jim recall him as a larger-than-life character with a quick wit. A wine aficionado, he combined his passion with his academic expertise and enjoyed the art of wine making.

Prior to coming to CSUSB, Jim was on faculty at Case Western Reserve University, and did a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard University.

Per Jim's wishes, no service will be held. The family asks that friends and colleagues who wish to honor Jim's memory contribute to the Dr. James D. Crum Endowed Scholarship Fund at CSUSB.

Sincerely,
Tomás D. Morales