



Township of Hardwick

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It is with great sadness that the Hardwick Township Committee announces the death of Mr. Jim Perry on August 18th, 2023 due to natural causes. Jim was a prior Mayor and Committee member of Hardwick for many years. He devoted his time, not only to the Township, but also to the County and State. Jim achieved the very prestigious Presidency of the New Jersey League of Municipalities, after serving many titles preceding it.

Jim and his daughter, Alyssa Perry, worked tirelessly to educate the public about the dangers of opioid dependency and abuse. He took this platform, not only locally, but to the State and ultimately the White House. He worked diligently in getting legislation passed to expand rehabilitation.

Jim was always one of the first to welcome people to Hardwick. He was extremely proud to live in and represent a small town and made sure people felt welcomed when they arrived from outside towns. He coined the term "Hardwickian" which many still use today.

Jim will be dearly missed by many. He left a lasting impression no matter where he went, and he will never be forgotten. He will be missed dearly by his daughter Alyssa as well as his family. May he rest in peace.