

# Sunny Jim Returns To Sheepshead Bay

The body of racing's beloved sunny Jim Fitzsimmons reposed yesterday on the site where, on July 23, 1874, he was born.

James Edward Fitzsimmons died Friday at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital in Miami. The body of the man who

trained thoroughbred horses that won \$12 million in his 80-year career was at the John J. Healey Funeral Home in the Sheepshead Bay section of Brooklyn.

Visiting hours were set at 1-5 p.m. and 7-10 p.m. today and tomorrow. Hundreds paid tribute to Mr. Fitz yesterday. The family requested that no flowers be sent, that donations be made to the shrine of the Immaculate Conception in the nation's capital.

The Healey Funeral Home is on the site where Sunny Jim

was born and where later was erected the old Sheepshead Bay racetrack.

He often said his fondest memory was of March 4, 1885. That was the day Grover Cleveland was inaugurated President of the United States. It was also the day Sunny Jim got his first job at a track—as a stable boy.

Agnes D. was his first winner, in 1900. Mr. Fitz retired in 1963 after saddling 2,426 winners.

A Solemn Requiem Mass will be said at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and burial will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery in Brooklyn.

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