

Brainwashed - Jim Carroll 1950-2009

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[The New York Times](#) has reported that Jim Carroll died in New York on Friday at his home of apparent heart attack, according to his former wife, Rosemary. Jim made a name for himself first as a poet and his voice can be heard on some early [Giorno Poetry](#)

[Systems](#)

LPs,

as a writer he's probably most famously known for

Basketball Diaries,

and as a rocker he's probably best known for the Jim Carroll Band hit "People Who Died," (which appeared in the film

E.T.: The Extra Terrestrial

) although he continued to play through the '90s with people like Lee Ranaldo. For more about his life see his site,

[catholicboy.com](#)