



James Harold Pederson

February 18, 1950 - December 30, 2022

James H. Pederson

James "Jim" H. Pederson, age 72, passed away peacefully with Jesus on December 30, 2022. His wife Deb was by his side, along with his children, grandchildren, family, and friends. Jim battled Parkinsonism and cognitive dementia since 2018.

Jim was born in Minneapolis to Harold and Muriel (Opjorden) Pederson, the 3rd of 11 children. He grew up in South Minneapolis and graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1968. He continued his education at the University of Minnesota.

He was blessed with 2 wonderful children, Amanda and Tony. In 1988 Jim met the love of his life, Deb, at the Mpls. Downtown Main Post Office. They were united in marriage in 1990 and were blessed with 32 + years together.

He had the most wonderful smile! He was intelligent, kind, generous, loving, fun loving, and lucky. He was an outstanding manager at the USPS. The mail all was processed timely, easily, and he treated the staff with dignity, and was always able to grant them the time off that they needed for their families. He retired from his USPS career in 2016 at the USPS Eagan IT/ASC Postal Data Center.

He always wanted a lake cabin and in October 2002 he found one in Hayward, WI, and he and Deb took the leap. He worked hard to remodel the cabin and have it updated for the children and grandkids. He was so proud of

it and enjoyed many rides on the pontoon and the loons. He loved being there to getaway and recharge.

Jim enjoyed fishing, summer or winter, golfing, antiquing, reading, games on his phone, entering contests, and going to concerts. He loved Gopher Hockey and his grandchildren's activities, be it school concerts, or sporting events. He made it to every activity of theirs' that he could. He was especially honored to be able to attend Soren's last Shakopee High School hockey game, even though it was difficult for him. He cherished supporting his grandchildren's endeavors.

He also loved to travel. He would travel to watch the 3 grandson's hockey games that were out of town. Baseball was another thing he enjoyed. He went to many Twin's games and really enjoyed the APWU events at Target Field. His goal was to see a baseball game in each stadium of the professional leagues. He didn't get to reach that goal. He traveled with Tony's family and Deb to 3 NCAA D1 Frozen Four Tournaments. He, Deb, and the family traveled to Germany in 2003 to see Amanda while she was stationed there for the Army. He got to travel to Washington D.C. several times, NYC twice, Boston twice, Florida, Nashville, Dallas, Arizona, California, Las Vegas, Alaska, Riveria Maya, Mexico, and 3 trips to Lake Michigan for salmon fishing. He enjoyed these trips with Deb, sister-in-law Corinne Whelan, brother-in-law John Whelan, dearest friends Mike and Janette Klein, and Shel and Char Swaney, and Sue Quickstad.

He is survived by his loving wife, soulmate, and best friend, Deb; children, Amanda (Ryan) Skatrud, Tony (Tania) Pederson; grandchildren, Maddy Stroud (fiancé Christian Vergara and his daughter Ava), Soren Pederson, Riley Pederson, and Nate Pederson; siblings, Sandy (Tom) Simons, Mary Skoglund, Brian (Julie) Pederson, Paul (Jeri) Pederson, Laurie Jaghlit, Bob Pederson, Mark (Julie) Pederson, David Pederson, Amy (Steve) Foslien; Mother-in-law Lorraine Niemeier, sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Corinne and John Whelan; and many nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

He was preceded In death by his brother Kenny Pederson, his parents Harold

and Muriel Pederson, father-in-law Raymond Niemeier, brother-in-law Jim Nelson, brother-in-law Mohammed Jaghlit, and brother-in-law Steve Skoglund.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, January 29th, from 1 to 4 pm, at the Washburn-McReavy Bloomington Chapel, 2300 W. Old Shakopee Rd., Bloomington, MN 55431. Visitation at 1, service at 2, luncheon at 3.

Internment to be at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests monetary donations for the family to purchase a bench in his name, at the MN State Fair.

The service will be live streamed the day of the service at:

www.Washburn-McReavy.com

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Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **29**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel
2300 W Old Shakopee Rd
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Memorial Service

JAN **29**. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for James Harold Pederson in memory of James Harold Pederson



Washburn-McReavy - January 05, 2023 at 12:47 PM

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“ I am saddened to hear of the passing of my friend, and former co-worker, Jim Pederson. However, I am also blessed with many memories of the enjoyable conversations/interactions we had while working together at the ASC. Jim had a great smile, a great sense of humor, was very intelligent, and Jim also had a great analytical mind, which served him well in life, and in the position he held at the ASC. Jim was always the first person to jump in and assist one of his fellow employees if they needed assistance with their workload. Jim always left me astounded, and appreciative, of how fast, and effortless, he could process the complicated adjustments that is the work of Payroll Operations. Along with the great memories of my friend Jim, at this time my thoughts and prayers go out too Deb, their children, their extended family, and their many friends. Jim will be greatly missed, but never forgotten, by any of us. Greg Fashingbauer

Greg Fashingbauer - January 28, 2023 at 10:14 PM

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“ *Jim was the love of my life! His smile would light up my day! He had a great smile, so genuine! It was a window into his soul! He was a wonderful husband to me in so many ways. We were soulmates! I'll forever miss you my love! Until we meet again in heaven, I love you and always will!* ❤️❤️



Debra Pederson - January 20, 2023 at 12:22 AM