



James Robert Rutgerson

July 22, 1942 - April 1, 2023

James Robert Rutgerson ("Jim") of Richfield, MN, passed away on April 1, 2023, at Fairview-Southdale Hospital, Edina, MN. Jim was born to Lloyd and Ellen (Ahlstrom) Rutgerson in Minneapolis, MN, on July 22, 1942. He was their youngest child.

Jim graduated from Richfield High School in 1960 and spent many memorable years during his youth in northern (Lawrence Lake, Bigfork) Minnesota, area.

Following high school graduation, Jim served in the U.S. Navy from 1960-1962. From 1964 to 2000 he worked as a meter reader for Northern States Power Company.

Jim was proud of being 100% Swedish. His passions and talents included: fishing at his cabin on Slauson Lake with family and friends, Mexico vacations, auctioneering, buying and selling Red Wing stoneware and other antiques, "van life" (camping and traveling), and yard work.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd and Ellen Rutgerson, and brother, Kern. He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Louise (Hall); his children, Kimberly (Gary) Kalkman, Tracey Dietsch, Kristyn (Ed) Heitzman; grandchildren Tara (Joe) Heitzman, Lauren (J.R.) Schuette, Tyler Kalkman, Alec Cash, Addison Dietsch, Darby Dietsch; 5 great-grandchildren; his sister,

Karen Deach; nieces and nephew.

A memorial service will be held at Washburn McReavy Werness Brothers Chapel, 2300 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN on Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 11:00 am with visitation 1 hour prior to the service and lunch to follow.

In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to The Pottery Museum of Red Wing, or your choice.

Soli Dei Gloria!

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel
2300 W. Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431
(952) 884-8145
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Chapel Service

APR **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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Michael Ekegren - April 15, 2023 at 12:08 PM

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Miss you dad sooo much 🙏

kim kalkman - July 22, 2024 at 11:33 PM

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“ *Jim was one of my closest and dearest friends for the last 25yrs. He was always fun to be around, and he always made us laugh. He will be deeply missed but in our hearts forever 💕🙏 Rest In Peace my friend..*

Tom Dvorscek - April 13, 2023 at 05:01 PM