



## *James Acres Pilger*

May 1, 1951 ~ April 2, 2024 (age 72)

### James Pilger Obituary

James Acres Pilger, affectionately known as Diamond Jim, passed away Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at his home in Burlington.

Jim was born May 1, 1951 in Burlington, Iowa, the son of Robert A. and Janet (Payne) Pilger. Jim grew up in Burlington and graduated from Burlington High School in 1969. He went on to work as an Inspector at J.I. Case Manufacturing for over 30 years before retiring. He was very proud of being a UAW member.

Jim was dedicated to being unique. He loved Burlington, its history, and enjoyed amassing a collection of unique Burlington ephemera. He had a vast collection of postcards, some unique to the local area and enjoyed being an antique collector and dealer. He had a great appreciation for the Burlington Historical Society.

Jim also enjoyed being outdoors, feeding the birds and gardening. He liked watching the Dodgers and was an Iowa Hawkeye fan. He was also a financial supporter of the Iowa Hawkeyes. Jim's unique,

friendly and caring personality will be missed, but his memory will live on through his family and friends.

Jim's family include his siblings, William (Linda) Pilger of West Burlington, Jean Miller of Solon, Joyce Pilger of Burlington, John (Joan) Pilger of Burlington, Thomas Pilger of Salt Lake City and Janet Brissey of Burlington; sister-in-law, Nancy Pilger of Burlington, and seventeen beloved nieces and nephews.

Sadly, Jim is preceded in death by his brother, Robert P. Pilger; and parents, Robert A. and Janet.

A simple cremation has been arranged and burial will be in Aspen Grove Cemetery in accordance to Jim's wishes. A celebration of Jim's life is being planned with a simple gathering of family and friends at a future date.

A memorial has been established for the Des Moines County Historical Society.

**Prugh Funeral Service is in care of the arrangements.**

Please continue to keep Jim's family in your thoughts during this difficult time.