



# James F. Powers

APR 16, 1948 - JUL 23, 2016



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**J**ames F. Powers, 68, of Clinton, passed away, Saturday, July 23, 2016 at his home in Clinton.

A Funeral Mass will be 10:30am Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Burial will be in the Pine Grove Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers will be Joe Kolk, Sara O'Donnell, Laura Black, Alex Black, Christine Black, Andrew Papke, Tony Papke, and Ann Schmidt. Visitation will be Tuesday from 4:00pm to 8:00pm at the Clinton Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory.

James Francis Powers was born on April 16, 1948 in Davenport, Iowa, the son of Raymond James and Patricia (Heffron) Powers. He was a 1966 graduate of Delwood High School and graduated from Creighton University. He married Karen Ivey on May 12, 1973 in Clinton; she preceded him in death on May 20, 2005.

Jim was a juvenile probation officer for the State of Iowa for 35 years before his retirement. Jim was a member of Prince of Peace Parish. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed rooting for the Chicago Bears, Cubs, Bulls, and Iowa Hawkeyes. He was a devoted father and grandfather and enjoyed following his kids and grandkids sporting events. He enjoyed golfing and spending time with his loving family and friends.

Jim is survived by his children: Chris (Stacy) Powers of Camanche, Jessica (Brett) DeBlois of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Michael Powers of Clinton; 6 grandchildren Taylor, Kendall & Tyson Powers and Ellis, Cam, & Leah DeBlois; three sisters: Kathy (Duane) Papke of Iowa City, Beth (Dan) Kolk of McFarland, Wisconsin, and Mary (Jim) Black of Onawa, Iowa; his brother: Patrick Powers of Delmar, Iowa. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his brother-in-law: Steve Ivey.

Memorials can be made to family to be divided to various charities.

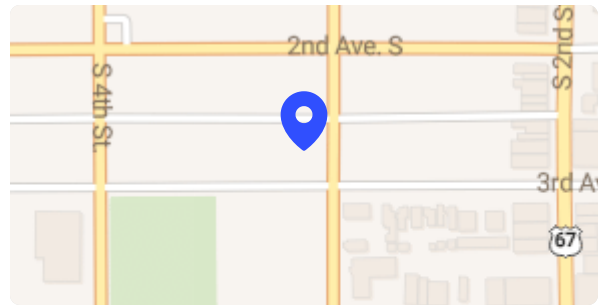


# Events

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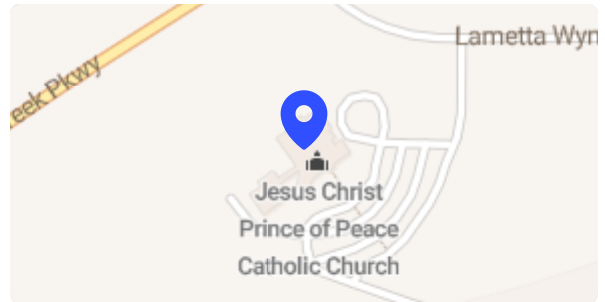
## Visitation

- Tuesday**, July 26, 2016
- 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT
- Snell-Zornig Funeral Home & Crematory, Clinton**  
302 Third Avenue South, Clinton IA 52732



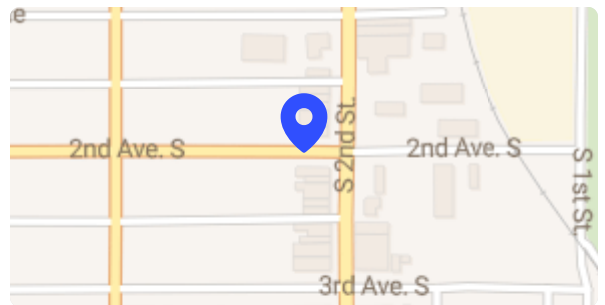
## Service

- Wednesday**, July 27, 2016
- 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM CT
- Prince of Peace Catholic Church**  
1105 Lametta Wynn Drive, Clinton IA



## Cemetery Details

- Pine Grove Cemetery**  
Clinton IA





## Tribute Wall

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DL

**Dominic Laufenberg** posted:

Chris, Jessica and Mike; I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your father. He was truly great man. His perpetual positive attitude and contagious smile will be sorely missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Dominic Laufenberg

July 29 at 2:31 AM

MR

**Mike Reilly** posted:

Chris, Jess, and Mike; the wake and funeral were both great tributes to your Dad. He was my best friend, and I will miss him forever. Mike Reilly

July 28 at 2:36 PM

JB

**Jim Bruhn** posted:

My condolences, thoughts and prayers go out to the family. I first got to know Jim during my early years as an attorney, in his capacity as a juvenile probation officer. He was a great person to work with. He always greeted you with a friendly smile. So sorry for your loss -- Jim Bruhn

July 27 at 7:02 AM

DF

**Dean Frey** posted:

I met my wife Beverly in 1965, and because Delwood was a small school, I got to know not only her class, but Jim's as well. Over the years we became good friends, and when he got married, we loved Karen as well. As I was recently widowed, I am finding out how hard it is to live without your soul mate, as Jim certainly knew. As their children, you are left to deal with your sorrow. Stay close as a family, and hold to the belief, that Jim & Karen are with our Lord and Savior, and each other. I am truly sorry for your loss, but hold on to each other and the great memories you had of your parents, until you can be with them again. I'm sure my wife and your parents have already shared some good laughs together, and I will end by leaving you with the signature Bev used in all her text messages. UR LOVED

July 27 at 6:54 AM

KB

**Karen Brix** posted:

Sorry to hear about Jim's passing... Our prayers and thoughts are with you all. Karen & Kent BrixVirtus & Mary Jean Scott

July 27 at 3:57 AM



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GS

**Greg Sander** posted:

So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Sweet, good-natured friend who I got to know better through his & my work with juveniles. After I shifted careers we remained friends for all these years. My work schedule doesn't allow me to make services, but your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

July 26 at 10:39 AM

LM

**Love, Paul, Judi, Chad, Stacey, Caleb, And Michael** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Powers family.

July 26 at 6:10 AM



MF

**Mark And Mary (Heffron) Klein And Family** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Powers family.

July 26 at 6:10 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Powers family.

July 26 at 5:56 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Powers family.

July 26 at 5:00 AM



TP

**Terry Peterson** posted:

Our prayers are with the family. You will be missed in the neighborhood and talking to you at Casey's in the morning. Terry and Teresa Peterson

July 26 at 1:48 AM



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**Germalynn McGinn** posted:

I am so sorry to learn of Jim's sudden passing. I last saw him at my brother Peter's wake and we had a nice conversation about Creighton basketball. I know Jim was a fan, and like all of his siblings, a star athlete himself. I regret that I am unable to attend his services, but you will all be in my thoughts and prayers. Germalynn McGinn

July 25 at 6:30 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Powers family.



July 25 at 4:59 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Powers family.



July 25 at 3:49 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Powers family.



July 25 at 8:38 AM



**Tom And Barbara Pestka** posted:

We've lost a dear, dear friend. So many memories going back more than 50 years, and all if them good. Our deepest sympathy to Jessica, Chris, Michael, Kathy, Patrick, Beth, and Mary.

July 25 at 5:52 AM



**Gary Landau** posted:

I will miss Jim. We had side-by-side offices at the Clinton County Courthouse for years. Had lots of good conversations. What a great guy.

July 25 at 5:02 AM



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**Dean & Bambi Wuebker / Bill & Barb Rowland / Bruce, Pam, Alicia** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Powers family.



July 25 at 3:35 AM



**Joani Kittoe** posted:

Chris, Jess, and Mike, We are so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing! Please find comfort knowing he is back with your Mom and they are both watching over all of you! God Bless you all! Ron & Joani Kittoe

July 25 at 3:23 AM



**Sue Troy** posted:

Thoughts and prayers to all the Powers family, Jim will be dearly missed by all. Such great memories from our college days at Creighton, once a Bluejay always a Bluejay. Jim has been a good friend over the years and I will truly miss our Creighton stories being retold. Thinking of The Powers family during this difficult time. 🙏 Jack and Sue Troy

July 25 at 3:19 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Powers family.



July 24 at 9:22 PM



**Angela** lit a candle in honor of James.

Chris, Jessica, and Michael and family... our deepest sympathy and prayers to you all. we cared so much for Jim and Karen. God Bless. RIP Jim and Karen together once again. Ernie DeeAnna Fiedler Angela Henry Jeni Lee Bromley



July 24 at 4:27 PM



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**Shannon W.** lit a candle in honor of James.

Just wanted to let Jessica know that I'm praying for her and her family. Sending you hugs!!! Blessings....

July 24 at 4:15 PM



**Judy Sexton** posted:

I loved Jim -Chris played for the cubs in Little League and one particular game Chri's was pitching and was struggling -you could see his shoulder's heaving up and down as he was crying -my late husband Darryl went to the mound and talked to Chris -he came back and asked Jim what he should do -Jim said make him stay and pitch and Chris did and ended up pitching well for our cubs winning the Playoffs in our Major year city wide!!!

July 24 at 3:57 PM



**Rita And Don Schmidt** July 26 at 10:41 AM

Our deepest sympathy to all of the Powers family. . I'm so happy that I invited classmates to our anniversary celebration on July 16th and that he had a great time with friends that day. I'll never get to say thank you to him for the Cups and Cones gift card. So I will say thanks to the family of such a great individual who always had a smile for everyone. He will be missed at our reunions. May eternal light shine upon him.



**Dick And Donna Hartvigsen** July 26 at 5:55 AM

We were shocked and deeply saddened to hear of Jim's sudden passing. Our deepest sympathy to Jim's family. Jim was a great friend and classmate. Class reunions will not be the same....he will be sorely missed. Rest in Peace Jim Powers!!



**Julie Bennis Kapsch** July 26 at 3:23 AM

Our sincere sympathy to the Powers family.



**Judy Sexton** July 24 at 5:53 PM

I'm happy that he and Karen are reunited -Karen was also a peach



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Powers family.

July 24 at 3:07 PM





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**Wesley B Unke** lit a candle in honor of James.

I was fortunate to know Jim through numerous juvenile probation cases referred from Clinton PD. Jim sure seemed to always have big smile and a great attitude no matter what the situation. I/We will miss Jim very much, and we will always remember him! My thoughts and sympathies to all of Jim's family and close friends.

July 24 at 1:57 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Powers family.

July 24 at 12:52 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Powers family.

July 24 at 12:41 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Powers family.

July 24 at 12:08 PM



**Phylis Dalldorf** lit a candle in honor of James.

I enjoyed talking with Jim at work. He always had a smile. My sympathies to your family.

July 24 at 12:04 PM



**Terry Kenney** posted:

I am going to miss seeing Jim at Casey's in the morning getting the paper and bring about sports, it just won't be the same, Terry Kenney

July 24 at 10:57 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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