



# James R. Kair

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**J**ames R. Kair, 63, of Camanche passed away Saturday, March 19, 2022 at Westwing Place in DeWitt, IA.

Funeral Services will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, March 25, 2022 at the Camanche Chapel Snell Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory, with inurnment at Rose Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday evening from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Friday prior to the funeral.

James Ronald Kair was born on April 1, 1958 in Clinton, IA, the son of Ronald and Donna (Nissen) Kair. He graduated from Central Community High School in 1976 and worked for 38 years at Dairypak/Evergreen Packaging until it closed. He then worked at the Clinton County Recycling Center for 8 years until present.

He married Lora Koehn in Clinton in 1987. Their daughter, Emily, was born June 9, 1990. He later married Pamela Weller Thomas on May 3, 2003 after meeting at Camanche Days. He and his daughter Emily and Pam and her two daughters Sarah and Emily then became a new blended family along with many dogs.

Jim loved vintage cars and was the proud owner of a 1967 Bel-Air and a 1967 GMC pickup truck. He loved fishing, scrapping, watching the Cubs, Bears, Hawkeyes, and the History Channel. He also loved gardening and sharing the wealth of produce with everyone. He canned and freeze-packed vegetables that everyone enjoyed. He took pride in keeping his yard beautiful -- his love of growing flowers came from his mother. He would ride his bicycle around Camanche in earlier years, not so much for exercise as for stopping often to converse with those he saw along the way. Jim loved life and enjoyed a good joke. He had many life-long friends and newer ones, and hardly ever met anyone he didn't befriend. His work ethic was exemplary, and he always helped anyone who needed his assistance. His real pride and joy was his two grandsons, Gunner James Hingtgen and Jack Thomas Jungen.



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Left to honor his memory are his wife Pamela, daughter Emily (Ben) Hingtgen of Bellevue, IA, step-daughters Sarah Thomas of Clinton, IA, and Emily (Joe Jungen) Thomas of Clinton, IA, grandsons Gunner J. Hingtgen and Jack T. Jungen, sister Debra Kair of Camanche, mother-in-law Myrna Weller of Camanche, sister-in-law Teresa (James) Claeys of Marengo, IA, aunts, uncles, cousins and his canine kids, Sadie and Cooper. He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant brother, niece Jenni Bopes, and father-in-law Dale Weller.

Memorials may be made to the family.



# Events

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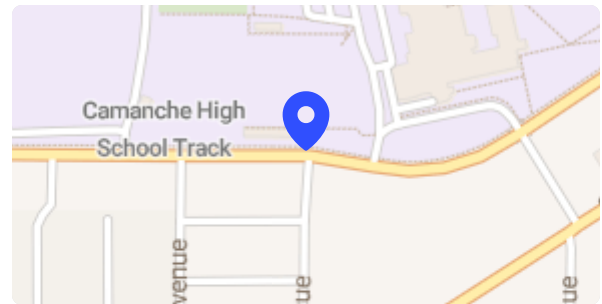
## Memorial Visitation

**Thursday**, March 24, 2022

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT

**Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory - Camanche**

16th Avenue & 9th Street, Camanche IA 52730



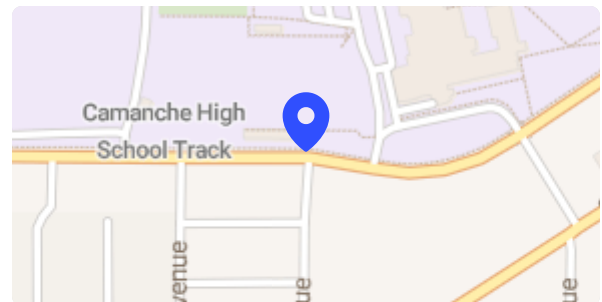
## Service

**Friday**, March 25, 2022

10:30 AM CT

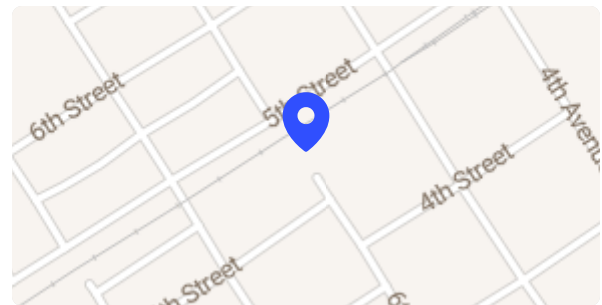
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## Cemetery Details

**Rose Hill Cemetery**  
Camanche IA 52730





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SC

**Susan Schutte Chindemi** posted:

When Jim and I were in the 8th grade, we got into a huge snowball fight that landed us both in the principal's office. He will always be "Kair Bear" to me, a kind and gentle soul. Godspeed Jim. You will be missed.

March 25 at 2:24 PM

PQ

**Pamela Quackenbush** posted:

So saddened by this news, prayers to the family. Will always remember the good times at Quack's Tap-Cousins Tap. May you be in peace and pain free now. Much Love Pamela Quackenbush and family.

March 24 at 9:10 AM



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



March 24 at 3:44 AM

ES

**Ellyn And Mark Stuhlman** lit a candle in honor of James.



March 24 at 3:40 AM



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



March 24 at 3:04 AM

RG

**Rich Gosnell** posted:

RIP Big Jim, and my condolences to your family. Your laughter and smile will be missed. You "recycled out" young kinda young, but we don't have control over that. Rich Gosnell Retired Landfill employee.

March 23 at 1:52 PM



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**Anonymous** sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Kair family.



March 23 at 5:00 AM



**Jon Weber** posted:

To the family of Jim Kair, know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Jon, Purl, Troy, Logan, and Carley Weber Hazelwood, MO (formerly of Camanche and Clinton. Ever Camanche Indians)

March 22 at 2:57 PM



**Dan And Kim Bentley** posted:

Jim was just plainly a wonderful guy. We are so shocked and saddened by this news! One of a kind guy for sure! RIP BIG Guy. The world has lost a great one. Dan and Kim Bentley

March 22 at 11:00 AM



**Karen Iliff-Manikowski** posted:

We loved laughing with him, i am so sad.

March 22 at 10:04 AM



**Sue McMahon** posted:

My deepest sincere condolences. I didn't know Jim well but Debbie and Jenny were part of our family earlier. Hugs to you all. It's horrible to lose our loved ones! (Sue Jungen McMahon)

March 22 at 6:48 AM



**Mike Kair** posted:

Jim was a great cousin who always had a funny story to tell. Had a laugh like his father and was always fun to go visit out on the farm. Wish we had more time together....he will be missed.

March 21 at 4:44 PM



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LB

**Lori Berhenke Fox** posted:

I moved from Iowa in early twenties so my memories of Jim are from high school. He was a good guy and also a friend of my brother David. David past a year ago so maybe Jim and Dave will shake hands in heaven. Sending all the love you need to work thru this. Lori (Berhenke) Fox

March 21 at 4:27 PM

HO

**Howie** posted:

I worked with oly for 20 plus years my wife Cindy for 34 he was a great guy he loved his O.T. you will be missed Jim I am going to miss the cherry tomatoes hanging from my mailbox, R.I.P JIM LOVE YOU BROTHER.

March 21 at 2:39 PM

BS

**Brad Seward** lit a candle in honor of James.

I miss my co-worker so much already. He was a kind person. He worked hard. He was willing to lend a helping hand. RIP Jim.

March 21 at 1:42 PM



RH

**Rich And Lorna Hill** lit a candle in honor of James.

Jim was a great guy, he will be missed. My heart breaks, gone to soon. Hugs and prayers to all 🦋

March 21 at 12:53 PM





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

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



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