



Name: James Owen Bollenbacher

Age: 81

Hometown: Bay Port

Funeral Date: Not Available

Date of Birth: October 28, 1939

Date of Passing: December 10, 2020

Funeral Home: Juengel & Mellendorf Funeral Home

Funeral Information

To abide with James' wishes, cremation has taken place. Due to Covid-19, a memorial service will be planned at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements handled by Juengel-Mellendorf Funeral Home in Sebawaing. Share a memory at www.jmfuneralhome.com

Family of the Deceased

James is survived by his wife, Marilyn; children: Jim (Mark Neal) Bollenbacher, Deb Herzog, Mike (Shela) Bollenbacher, Jenny (Leonard) Doran, Kathryn (Matt) McGathy, Brian (Kim) Bollenbacher, Tricia (Ed) Duby and Carolyn (LaZandra White) Bollenbacher; grandchildren: Karlee, Josh, Noah, Billy, Sara, Hannah, Halle, Hayden, Taylor, Colin, Andrew, Sean, Kyle, McKenzie and Emma; and one great grandson, Waylon; sister, Bev (Nick) Hillabrand; and many loving nieces and nephews. James is preceded in death by his son-in-law, Eric Herzog; and siblings: Rebecca Gangloff and John Bollenbacher.

Biography

James Owen Bollenbacher, 81, of Bay Port, passed away peacefully Thursday, December 10, 2020, surrounded by his family. James was born in Plymouth, Indiana to Owen and Faye (McVey) Bollenbacher on October 28, 1939. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1957. James married Marilyn Strombeck on January 27, 1962. James was very active throughout his entire life. He was a huge Notre Dame fan, refereed high school sports for 30 years, was a radio broadcaster for WLEW, enjoyed kayaking, skydiving, was an all-star athlete, attended all his kids and grandkids sporting events, wintering in Florida and enjoyed riding his Honda Gold Wing motorcycle. He loved being around people and his house was always open to everyone, it was the the "hangout" for all kids. Many will also remember him as the family CEO. Agriculture was his love and he was always there for his customers. He had a vast knowledge in all things ag. His experience in the ag field made him an icon in the farming industry.