



## James "Jim" H. Riess II

June 26, 1968 - February 13, 2022

Cedar Falls – James “Jim” Harold Riess II, age 53 of Cedar Falls passed away Sunday, February 13, 2022, at his home in rural Cedar Falls. He was born June 26, 1968, in Sigourney, Iowa, the son of James H. and Nancy (Glandon) Riess. He graduated from Williamsburg High School in 1986, and received his AAS in robotics and automation from Indian Hills Community College. On June 19, 2005, Jim was united in marriage to Angie Burda at the Rotary Reserve in Cedar Falls. Jim was employed as a Senior Factory Automation Engineer for John Deere since 2012 until he went out on disability due to pancreatic cancer. Prior to that, he worked for Control Systems Integrators in Marion and at Johnson Controls. There wasn't a car, motorcycle, shed, or home project he couldn't fix or make better. Nor was there any piece of meat he couldn't smoke to perfection. He enjoyed going to church, playing his bass guitar, riding his Harley Davidson, working in the shed, being the self-appointed greenskeeper on his and Angie's acreage, shocking others with pictures of his 1990s mullet, and trading barbeque techniques and doing Macho Man Randy Savage impersonations with his Deere work buddies. He fixed everything his wife accidentally broke. Most of all, he loved spending time with his family and friends. Thank you to friends, relatives, neighbors, coworkers, and the UnityPoint Cancer Center staff for all of the care and kindness these past 3 years.

Jim is lovingly survived by: his wife, Angie Burda of Cedar Falls; his father,

James Riess I of Conroy; two brothers, Curt (Renee) Riess of Conroy, and Quinn (Becky) Riess of Muscatine; two nieces, McKenna and Kacie Riess; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Dick and Jan Burda of Harris, MN; sister-in-law, Susan Burda of Litchfield, MN; many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. He was preceded in death by: his mother, Nancy (Glandon) Riess; and his grandparents, Bill and Leona Glandon and Harold and Doris Riess.

A memorial service will be held at 10 am Saturday, February 19, 2022, at Messiah Lutheran Church in Janesville. Visitation will be from 4-7pm Friday, February 18 at Richardson Funeral Service in Cedar Falls, and also one hour prior to the service at church.

Memorials may be directed to the family. Online guestbook is available at [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service  
615 Main Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 266-3525  
richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com  
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

## Memorial Service

FEB 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

Messiah Lutheran Church  
229 Chestnut Street  
Janesville, IA 50647

# Tribute Wall



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 18, 2022 at 01:18 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 17, 2022 at 09:04 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 17, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 17, 2022 at 04:06 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 17, 2022 at 09:24 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 16, 2022 at 10:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 16, 2022 at 08:50 PM



“ *Michael Riess and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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**Michael Riess and Family** - February 16, 2022 at 04:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 15, 2022 at 11:43 PM



“ *Pamela Doughty purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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**Pamela Doughty** - February 15, 2022 at 10:20 PM



“ *I am honored to have known Jim of Blessed Memory. He was a kind devoted husband, family member, and friend, a hard worker, and an insightful, wise soul. Jim's quiet courage inspired us. My heart goes out to Angie and Jim's many other loved ones. The world is a better place for him being at our side.*

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**Naomi McCormick** - February 15, 2022 at 08:39 PM



“ *Marius Mutu and Family. purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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**Marius Mutu and Family.** - February 15, 2022 at 06:56 PM

RF

“ So sorry for your loss. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Rich and Nancy Furnas - February 15, 2022 at 06:50 PM

MK

“ Jim's secret ingredient in the chili cook-off was the smoked meats!!! We loved chatting with Jim at work over a tea, and the next I/O Ladder program with a twist of JDAAT, and a pinch of vision. God Rest your soul, good friend.

Mark K - February 15, 2022 at 04:05 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.



February 15, 2022 at 02:18 PM

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“ Art & Linda Rogian , Samantha and Steve purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.



Art & Linda Rogian , Samantha and Steve - February 15, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" H. Riess II.*



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February 15, 2022 at 11:38 AM



“ *We are sad he left this world so soon. Jim will be missed by so many. Deb and Dana Froelich*



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**deb froelich** - February 15, 2022 at 10:41 AM



*Sorry for your loss, we are keeping you and the family in our prayers.*

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**Roman & Barbara Kelash** - February 15, 2022 at 11:34 AM



*I'm so sorry to hear about your husband, Angie, and am keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Alison Lemke** - February 15, 2022 at 10:54 PM