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7-27-2017 **James Michael Dayton**

James Michael Dayton, 59, died July 25, 2017, after a short courageous battle with ALS. Founder of Dayton Heating & Air Conditioning Inc., Jim could fix anything; friends nicknamed him MacGyver. His clients called him an HVAC hero.

Born in Grinnell, Iowa, Jim is survived by his loving wife of 22 years, Teresa, and teenagers Rosemary, Lucas, and Lydia. Preceding him in death is Jim's mom, Ruth Ann Schmitz Dayton, who passed from ALS in 2002.

Surviving family include father, R. Wayne Dayton, and siblings John (Connis) Dayton, Mary Jo (Dave) Seaton, Mark (Sherri) Dayton, Tom Dayton, Diane (Scott) Kinseth, Louise (Sam) Billmeyer, Carol (Steve) Schmidt, Ellen (Todd) Hoffman, and Teresa (Joe) Scognamillo.

Jim and Teresa would like to thank immediate family and the amazing extended family of St. Pius X Parish and neighbors and friends who provided meals, communion, smiles, laughter, walks, and cribbage challenges in the past 15 months. Our thanks also to Hospice of Central Iowa.

Friday, July 28th, services held at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Urbandale begins with Rosary at 3:30 p.m., Visitation 4-7 p.m. & Vigil at 7:00 pm.

Saturday, July 29th, Funeral services 10:00 a.m. at St. Pius X Parish followed by lunch and interment.

In Jim's memory, direct charitable contributions to: an HVAC scholarship in Jim's name at Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation/Endow Iowa or ALS Association Iowa Chapter.

