

James Yotter

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James Russell Yotter, 71, passed away at 1:29 pm on Wednesday, January 1, 2020, at his residence. He was born on March 24, 1948, in St. Louis, the son of Harold and Pearlie Calvin of Alton. He married Ann Meletti on September 5, 1969, in Alton, and they recently celebrated fifty years of marriage. In addition to his parents and his wife, survivors include a son: Jason James Yotter of Worden, a daughter: Kristina O'Donnell of Jacksonville, North



Carolina, five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, two sisters: Barbara Harris of Alton, Carla Calvin of Alton, many nieces, nephews, and other extended family and friends.

Jim was formerly employed as a brake mechanic at Midas and later was a truck driver for Hogan Trucking and North American Truck Lines. Jim enjoyed bowling, playing cards, hunting, and fishing. He enjoyed fishing so much that he would often joke about just tying him to the boat so he could fish. He was known for making everyone laugh and his unmatched empathy and compassion. He was a beloved son, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin, and friend.

He was preceded in death by his son: Steven who was thirty – two years old, from a drowning accident.

In celebration of his life, visitation will be from 1 pm to 4 pm on Saturday, January 4, 2020, at Pitchford Funeral Home in Wood River. Military rites will be conducted at 1 pm by the Ritual Team of VFW Post 1308 of Alton.

Memorials are suggested to the family and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Online guestbook is available at www.pitchfordfuneralhome.com .	