



Bruce A Whipple

October 11, 1943 - July 8, 2023

Bruce Whipple, 79, of Hampton, passed away Saturday, July 8, 2023, at the Rehabilitation Center of Hampton. Memorial services will be held 6:30 p.m., Monday, July 17, 2023 at the Hampton Church of Christ, 811 4th St. NE, Hampton, Iowa. Visitation will be at the church 4:00 – 6:30 p.m, prior to the service. Counsell Woodley Funeral Home and Cremations of Hampton is caring for Bruce and his family.

Bruce Allen Whipple was born October 11, 1943, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the son of William and Frances (Schoelerman) Whipple. He was raised and educated in Keystone, graduating in 1960. He graduated from the University of Iowa School of Pharmacy a few years later. He then went to work at Broadway Pharmacy on the south side of Waterloo.

After 2 years he moved to Hampton to work at Koerner Pharmacy and within a year partnered with Dave Koerner. He then took over the hospital pharmacy and began contracting with hospitals all over the state to provide pharmacy services and employed many new pharmacists in the process. Driven to improve his professional life, Bruce would meet people at all hours if they needed his special expertise.

Bruce valued family time above all else, he insisted on family dinners every evening and Sunday. He always made sure the whole Whipple family was together on holidays, and he never missed his kids sporting events and concerts. Family vacations were usually educational trips to landmark sites. Bruce was a good athlete and artist. He played saxophone with a band that

toured and even had a record made. While with this band he played with several artists that came to Cedar Rapids, including Johnny Cash and Roy Orbison.

Family includes his wife of nearly 57 years, Patty; son: Mark (Jacqueline) Whipple, Hampton; daughter: Erin Whipple, Cedar Rapids; lots of grand-puppies and several cousins, nieces, nephews and extended family.

Bruce is preceded in death by his parents.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Hampton Church of Christ
811 4th Street NE
Hampton, IA 50441

Church Service

JUL 17. 6:30 PM - 7:15 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *many fun memories with Pat and Bruce and our travels together! Diving, tennis at 2 am, biking, running--diets before our trips with sending food to ea other--laughs all around Brucie!! Memories of our friendship best of all will always be in my thoughts--and bring everlasting smiles and laughs--rest easy*

dick - July 18, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bruce A Whipple.*



July 15, 2023 at 08:06 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bruce A Whipple.*



July 13, 2023 at 02:33 PM

JS

“ *It was his big smile that welcomed Rick and I into the community over 40 years ago and one we will never forget! A kind, generous, spirited man that will certainly be missed by the whole community. Rest easy, dear friend, and know you will long be remembered! Rick and Julie Salvesen*

Julienne Salvesen - July 10, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bruce A Whipple.



July 10, 2023 at 11:13 AM



“ Where do I start , Bruce took a chance on me in 1985 and hired me has a pharmacy technician and taught me everything, I needed to know about the field , he was a well respected Boss and we all loved to laugh on the stories he told , he treated us like family , He was a Pug lover, like me and I will always cherish the time we had together My feeling are with the family at this time . He will be missed Rhonda M

rhonda milbrandt - July 09, 2023 at 11:13 PM



“ Sandra M. Beebe lit a candle in memory of Bruce A Whipple



Sandra M. Beebe - July 09, 2023 at 11:01 PM



Remembering you through the years, I will never forget your big smiling face!! You were always so helpful to everyone! May you RIP!! Prayers and blessings to the family!

Sandra M. Beebe - July 09, 2023 at 11:02 PM

JG

“ Jerry and I were just talking today about how he went on trips with the Whipple family and all the times he stayed overnight with Mark. They got into a little trouble once in awhile but still, all good memories.

Jan Gray

JAN GRAY - July 09, 2023 at 10:50 PM