



David Burge, 72, of Mount Vernon, passed away Saturday, April 15, 2017, at the Dennis & Donna Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy in Hiawatha with his loving family by his side. Graveside service: 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at Mount Vernon Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements by Stewart Baxter Funeral & Memorial Services, Mount Vernon.

Survivors include his wife of over 37 years, Joan; children, Tim (Karen Prigmore) Hoffman, Meridith Hoffman and Natalie (Steve) Hand; grandchildren, Ryan Hoffman and Charlotte, Thomas and Teddy Hand; siblings, Linda (Earl) Freese and Keith (Linda) Burge; several nieces and nephews; and many extended family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

David Burge was born Oct. 3, 1944, in Cedar Rapids, to Vernon and Helen (Light) Burge. He graduated from Mount Vernon High School in 1962, joined the Air Force, and later became a union pipefitter for Cedar Rapids Local 125. He married Joan Wallace on Nov. 10, 1979, in Mount Vernon. David enjoyed repairing and repurposing things to show his love for family and friends so they wouldn't have to worry. He remembered everyone's birthdays, anniversaries and important dates and loved to call and leave a personal message. He was a practical man, enjoyed gardening and especially loved spending time with his beloved family.

Memorials may be directed to the city of Mount Vernon for the Veteran's Memorial at the Mount Vernon Cemetery or to Hospice of Mercy.

How lucky we were to love someone who made saying goodbye so hard.