



## James P. Steele Jr.

June 12, 1931 - April 30, 2026

James P. Steele, Jr. of Bloomington passed away on Thursday, April 30, 2026. He was born on June 12, 1931, in McKeesport, Pa., the son of James P. Steele, Sr. and Fannie Roney Steele.

He graduated from Grove City College in Pa. where he met his future bride, Joanne Ramey Steele, who survives him. They were married in Clearfield, Pa. on August 25, 1956. He is survived by their three beloved sons and their wives, James (Jay) Ramey Steele and Jennifer (Holden) of Bloomington, Jeffrey Douglas Steele and Elizabeth (Betsy) (Heidler) of Chicago and Jonathan Edward Hyde Steele and Alyssa (Worsley) of Cleveland as well as eleven grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother Herbert D. Steele and his wife Gloria of Colorado. Jim was preceded in death by his sister Dr. Ann Louise Steele Buck.

Jim was a graduate of Staunton Military Academy, Staunton, Virginia.

For two years, Jim served in the U.S. Army stationed in Mannheim, Germany. Upon discharge, he completed his interrupted college degree and was employed by Westinghouse Corp. in Pittsburgh until they moved to Bloomington where the new plant was established. Later they moved back east to Haddonfield, New Jersey for eight years where he was employed as Vice-President Administration with Sandmeyer Stainless Steel Co. in Philadelphia until moving back to Bloomington in 1968 to rejoin Westinghouse/ABB as Materials Manager. He retired from ABB in 1994. Following retirement, he worked a number of years as a Career Councilor at Indiana University Kelly School of Business.

His interests over the years included various organizations. He served on the Board of Directors of Christ Community Church and the Boys Club of Bloomington where he was elected Volunteer of the Year. To many who knew him, however, he was known for his passion for golf, the highlight being when he twice played the Old Course at St. Andrews, Scotland not far from where his grandparents lived before coming to America.

Memorial services for Jim will be held Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 2:00PM at the Christ Community Church 503 South High Street, Bloomington, Indiana. Visitation will also be held Saturday the 9th of May at the church from 1:00PM until the time of the service at 2:00PM.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37 has been entrusted with the arrangements and online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

Contributions may be made in Jim's honor to:

Christ Community Church, The Salvation Army, or Wheeler Missions of Bloomington, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Christ Community Church  
503 S. High St  
Bloomington, IN 47401

## Memorial Service

MAY 9. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Christ Community Church  
503 S. High St  
Bloomington, IN 47401

# Tribute Wall

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“ The D. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James P. Steele Jr..

The D. - May 09 at 08:55 AM

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“ CIBC Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of James P. Steele Jr..



CIBC Family - May 08 at 03:06 PM

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“ CIBC Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James P. Steele Jr..

CIBC Family - May 08 at 03:06 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James P. Steele Jr..



May 08 at 12:37 PM

MZ

“ Michael and Donna Zalar purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James P. Steele Jr..



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Michael and Donna Zalar - May 07 at 08:46 PM

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“ Michael and Donna Zalar planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James P. Steele Jr..

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Michael and Donna Zalar - May 07 at 08:46 PM

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“ Your TriBridge Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James P. Steele Jr..



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Your TriBridge Family - May 07 at 08:50 AM

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“ Your TriBridge Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James P. Steele Jr..

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Your TriBridge Family - May 07 at 08:50 AM



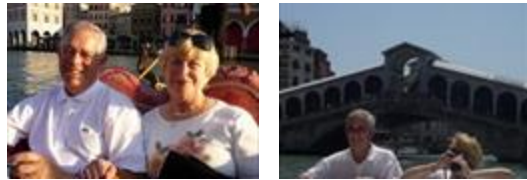
“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James P. Steele Jr..



May 05 at 04:35 PM



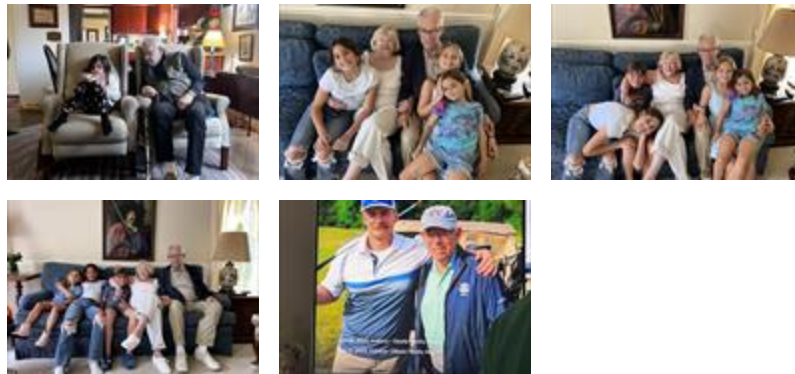
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Jeffrey Steele - May 03 at 09:12 PM



“ We will miss our Poppa dearly ❤️



Jillian Owens - May 02 at 12:47 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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jon - May 02 at 10:53 AM