



## Frank James Hunter Jr

August 20, 1950 - August 1, 2018

“There was a man who loved his children more than anyone else in the world could love their children... until his children had children”

Frank James Hunter Jr., age 67, of Albia, passed away on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at the Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa surrounded by his loved ones.

Frank was born on August 20, 1950 in Des Moines, Iowa, to Frank James Sr. and Norma Jean (Carmichael) Hunter. He grew up in Des Moines and graduated from Lincoln High School with the Class of 1968. After high school, Frank joined the United States Air Force and served his country during the Vietnam War. He was united in marriage to Beth Shanks in Carbondale, Iowa, on July 2, 1982.

Frank was a very talented individual that could repair anything. He always had a love for computers and in 2001 he opened Hunter Technologies where he programmed and assembled new computers and fixed older computers. He was a past member of the Masonic Lodge in Runnells, Iowa.

Frank never knew a stranger and enjoyed being ornery by telling stories to family and friends and delighted in pulling pranks on them. Above all, his biggest joy in life was spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Frank was always level headed and calm no matter any situation. He was a very caring and loving individual who would help anyone in need.

Those left to carry on Frank's memories are his wife of 36 years, Beth Hunter; his 2 children, Frank III (Kelli) Hunter and Kristi (Lee) Francis; his 6 grandchildren, Randy, Taelor and Jenna Francis and Alexis, Madison and Logan Hunter. He is also survived by his mother, Norma; 2 brothers; 4 sisters and many nieces, nephews, cousins, grand nieces, grand nephews and good friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Frank James Hunter Sr. and Lloyd William Van Zuuk and his grandparents John (Lina) Hunter.

Prayers will be held at 2:00 p.m., followed by a time of remembrance and sharing on Sunday, August 5, 2018 at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia with military rites provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia and Melrose. A private family burial will be held at a later date.

An open memorial has been established in Frank's name and will be determined at a later date.

Condolences to the family may be left online at [www.tharpfh.com](http://www.tharpfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Frank James Hunter Jr*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Frank James Hunter Jr*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I wish I could have visited him one more time. I am so sorry to learn of his passing. I hope you all have found a way to heal from the loss. I have so many fun memories of he and all of you. Frankie, Kristi and Aunt Beth... I am sorry.*

**Jess** - September 23, 2019 at 02:53 PM



“ *Beth I was so sorry to hear of your loss. I wanted to come but I'm battling headaches again. If I can do anything for you let me know 6417993313. You will be in my prayers. Love you*

**Ann Mellick** - August 06, 2018 at 04:48 PM



“ *Deepest sympathy to all of Frank's family*



**Dee Alexander** - August 04, 2018 at 06:16 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank James Hunter Jr.*



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August 04, 2018 at 12:33 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank James Hunter Jr.*



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August 03, 2018 at 06:52 PM



“ *Beth, my prayers to you and all of Frank's family. It is just so difficult to try to find the words to express the grief felt by all who knew him. Love to all his children and grandchildren.*

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**Ben Taylor** - August 03, 2018 at 05:30 PM



“ *Your legacy lives on in our deck and fireplace you helped to so artfully craft, as well as in our meals and time spent together. You live on in our hearts and we will be there for Beth. Godspeed and love always...*

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**Brenda and John Criswell** - August 03, 2018 at 03:30 PM

KS

“ To my sister, If love can heal your broken heart, you have all i can give. To my niece and nephew and your families, i love you. Frank was my brother-in-law, and was introduced to my sister by me and my ex-husband, who was also Franks cousin. My favorite story is about Beth and Franks first date where he comes to pick her up and our mom thought he was the paper boy. My mom asked Frank how much she owed him, and Frank said he thought to himself, they are paying me to take her out??? At some point after my mom figures out he isn't the paper boy, she tells Beth, he sure does look old. Anyway their fairy tale took off from there and I will be forever grateful that my sister picked you. Frank was always kind to me, even when we were playing practical jokes on each other, and was a shoulder to cry on at some of the worst times of my life. You brought a grace and calmness to our lives. I love you Frank. I shall miss you. God speed brother.  
Kathi

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**Kathi Shanks** - August 03, 2018 at 02:33 PM

DR

“ Deanna Rizk purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Frank James Hunter Jr.



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**Deanna Rizk** - August 03, 2018 at 02:04 PM

CR

“ I am so sorry for your loss Kristi, Frank, Beth, and family! I remember when first meeting Frank, prbly the calmest, nicest, positive, and soft spoken man I have ever known! He was always so supportive and understanding I remember my first thoughts of him to be, cuz with 2 13 year old teenagers trying to pull the next fast one on dear old dad and sneak out with boys and do the things we were doing as carefree kids , he had plenty of reason to holler, and get mad and lose his temper, but never once did. I always loved your dad Kristi, and Beth too and have to say he will always be someone special in my heart and my memories that made a positive impact on me for life. You are a very lucky girl to be able to call him dad and I know he felt the same having you as his daughter, one of the things I think of first when thinking of him is how awesome of a relationship I always admired you two to have and how apparent it was to see just how much love he had for those he loved and held dear to him. He definitely will be missed by many.....RIP💜

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**Charity Roush** - August 03, 2018 at 01:17 AM

DR

“ I sadly did not know Frank very well, but I remember delivering candle bouquets to you Beth and if I didn't catch you at home, Frank would come to the door and we always had a nice little chat! He would always chuckle a little and say something like..."Another candle? Guess it's not for me!". So sorry for your loss Beth. Please know the Reed and Haselhuhn families' thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Debi Reed** - August 02, 2018 at 07:02 PM

DD

*Beth, I'm so very sorry for your loss. Frank was a very special man, and always up for a laugh. I remember he and I volunteered to paint our in-laws fence. It should have taken a couple months hours. But we talked, swapped stories, and slipped paint on the fence, and each other It was well after dark when we finally finished. I've never had so much fun painting a fence. He was a good man and will be missed by many.*

**Dee Urqhart (aka darla dodson)** - August 02, 2018 at 10:21 PM

KL

*Beth we are so sorry to hear about Frank. He was one great guy and always enjoyed visiting with him. May the Lord be with you and give you peace. We love you lots, and I'm typing this on our Hunter computer.*

**Kenny and Barb Lovstuen** - August 02, 2018 at 11:10 PM

DK

*So sorry for your loss Beth. I am glad I got to meet him the few times that I did at various KIIC events. Prayers and thoughts with you all.  
Disc Jockey Dave*

**Dave Kroeger** - August 03, 2018 at 11:57 AM

GC

*BETH, I AM SOOOO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT FRANK!!!!!!!!!!:( I DID NOT KNOW HE WAS EVEN SICK!!!!!!!!!!:( PLEASE KNOW MY THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

**Gene Clark** - August 03, 2018 at 12:15 PM

MH

*I aM so sorry for your loss Beth and familyGod bless you>*

**Marjorie Hafield** - August 03, 2018 at 02:03 PM

LA

*So very sorry for your loss...Hugs & Prayers to you and your family.*

**Lloyd & Arlene Allen** - August 03, 2018 at 02:45 PM

RE

*Beth and family, I am very sorry for your loss and sorry that I could not attend the service.*

*Rob Eells*

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**Rob Eells** - August 06, 2018 at 02:24 PM

PH

*Dear Frank, I wanted to wish you a Happy Birthday. I am sure your joy is full with our Savior, Jesus. I love you, Suzy*

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**Peggy Sue Hunter** - August 20, 2018 at 06:45 AM