

# James (Jim) W. Hodges

2 September, 1943 - 18 April 2022



The family of Jim is saddened to announce his passing on April 18, 2022 at High River Hospital at age 78. He is survived by his son Tim and his wife Carmen, his two Grandsons Morgan and Parker, his brother Bill (Lois) Hodges and his faithful companion Pal. Jim was born in Sacramento, California, raised in Santa Maria, California. He met his wife Meredith while attending the University of Montana in Missoula Montana. They were married in January

of 1966 while Jim was in the US Army. Their son Tim was born later that year. The family moved to Canada in 1970, finally settling in Inuvik NT in 1973. While Jim was in the Army he was trained as a helicopter pilot and he never worked a day in his life after that doing anything else. Being a pilot became his lifelong career and he had earned over 15000 accident free hours flying before his retirement in 1995. Jim and Meredith retired to Southern Alberta to be closer to family and eventually found themselves in High River Alberta. Jim lost the love of his life in 2016 to cancer when Meredith passed away. Jim travelled after that seeking the sun with his companions Patch then Pal. A high light to his life was scuba diving with his grandsons in Hawaii in 2019.

**Thank you to all the staff of the third floor of the High River Hospital for the excellent care they gave to both Jim and his family.**

**In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the High River District Health Foundation  
- Cancer Clinic, 560 9 Ave SW,  
High River, Alberta T1V 1B3**