DAVID FORBES NILSSON



Born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on September 25, 1943. He died on January 29, 2025, at the age of 81. The cause of death was a fatal cardiac event. He grew up in Hampton, and lowa graduated from Hampton High School in 1961. He attended Iowa State University, majored journalism and grad in graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1966. He married Deanna Iselv in August 1966. Together

they moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan then to Pittsburgh, PA, where he took a job for the Pittsburgh Press. He first covered city hall and then took over the education beat. He worked at the Press for 25 years. He next took a job at Union Switch and Signal, where he also worked for 25 years. During his time at the Press, he began bicycling to work, then planned a trip to upstate New York with his wife, Dee and his daughter, Victoria. Bicycling became a passion for the family and they did many long-distance rides together. He slowed down a bit in his 70s and walking (with or without his dog) became his main source of exercise. He was diagnosed with Atrial Fibrillation and on January 29, 2025, he experienced a cardiac event which proved fatal. He died that afternoon. A Memorial service is planned at RALPH SCHUGAR CHAPEL, INC., 5509 Centre Avenue, Shadyside, on Thursday, February 6, 2025, at 5 P.M. Visitation, 4 P.M. - 6 P.M. Interment private. www.schugar.com Send condolences post-gazette.com/gb