

James D. Turner graduated in **1952**. He was the son of Forest and Ecil Turner and married Nancy Shilling in 1959. They had two sons, Andy and Chris. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1952 for four years. He was a veteran of the Korean War, served aboard the transport ship Sitkoh Bay and completed a two-year tour of Guam working with the Office of Naval Intelligence. He was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Medal, Korean Service Medal, and the United States Service Medal. He attended Simpson College 1959-1963 and received a BS in American History and Physical Education. While at Simpson Jim coached the Carlisle American Legion Babe Ruth baseball team to two league championships. He taught in Lohrville Community Schools Beaman-Conrad and Williamsburg. While at Beaman-Conrad, he coached the girls to a 4th place finish in the 1972 state tournament. In 1984, he helped establish the Iowa Girls Coaches Association. In 2010, in Williamsburg, the newly renovated Williamsburg High School softball field was dedicated in memory of Jim, "Field dedicated to Legendary Coach". Whether on the field or floor, he taught how to on challenges and enjoy life. His way of teaching faith and principles.