

The News Register

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“Intra-organization Communication is the Life-Blood of our organization.”

With great sadness we must let you know that AASBCR[®] has lost one of its founding members and a key contributor of his time and talent. James Kempe, Illinois Bell retiree and AASBCR[®] attorney has passed away.

First, he was husband and father.

Then, he was employee and later retiree.

Next, he became an attorney.

He also was long time mayor of the Village of Barrington Hills.

Then, he was one of the founding members of AASBCR[®].

Jim has filed every paper necessary to make AASBCR[®] a valid non-profit corporation. All of the legal work that Jim did for AASBCR[®] was done pro bono. He was always very proud of being a retiree and a member of AASBCR[®].

We have lost a friend, a mentor, a truly good man. If he were here, Jim would probably say:

“I’ve lived a full life. I’ve had much love and some sadness. I have no regrets because I did it the right way!”

Rest in peace James Kempe.

AASBCR[®] is awaiting word from the family about donations or memorials. For those wishing to send a card, you can send it to:

Gerry Kempe and family
8 Woodcreek Road
Barrington Hills, IL 60010