



## Carolyn Brown

February 5, 1952 - August 16, 2020

Carolyn Brown, age 68, of Storm Lake, Iowa died on Sunday, August 16, 2020 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Private Family Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery in Ruthven. Public visitation will take place on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in STORM LAKE. The family is requesting that face masks be worn at the visitation as well as socially distancing in attendance. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Carolyn Sue Brown, the daughter of Marvin and Dorthea (Brennan) Rosacker, was born on February 5, 1952 in Spencer, Iowa. Carolyn was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic faith.

Growing up, Carolyn attended grade school and high school in Ruthven. She graduated from Ruthven High School in 1970. She then furthered her education at the University of Northern Iowa where she earned her Bachelor of Science Degree.

On June 15, 1974, Carolyn was united in marriage to Ted Brown in Ruthven, Iowa. The couple was blessed with two children, Scott and Tim.

Throughout her working career, Carolyn held a position in employment services and later worked at Buena Vista University. At BVU, Carolyn worked in the Student Leadership Center. She enjoyed working with the students, often serving as an unofficial mom when students needed advice.

In her free time, Carolyn enjoyed scrapbooking, photography, creating vacation albums, planning vacations for her whole family, and going to her children and grandchildren's activities. Carolyn lived her life by the saying, "life is about who you are with, not what you are doing." She valued making memories with her family and friends over having material items. She always treasured having a good cup of coffee and a great conversation. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Ted Brown of Storm Lake, Iowa; children, Scott (Kristy) Brown of Brookings, South Dakota and Tim Brown of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; brothers, Bill (Marcia) Rosacker of LeMars, Iowa and Dan (Sheri) Rosacker of Forest City, Iowa; sisters, Linda (Sid) Jones of Jefferson, Iowa and Janet (Kris) Ausborn of Waukee, Iowa; grandchildren: Kinley, Easton, and Blakely Brown; extended family and friends.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Larry and William Rosacker.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

Ruthven, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake  
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## PRIVATE SERVICE

AUG **20** (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church -- Storm Lake  
320 Seneca Street  
Storm Lake, IA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Brown*



**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - August 19, 2020 at 10:20 AM

PT

“ *My sympathy and prayers are with you. I'm so sorry for your loss.*

**Pam Tidemann** - August 24, 2020 at 11:25 AM

SM

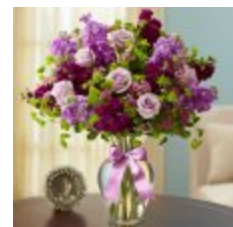
“ *Steph/Sharon Mickelson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Brown*



**Steph/Sharon Mickelson** - August 21, 2020 at 09:46 AM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



August 20, 2020 at 07:11 PM

JL

“ I have so many fun memories of Carolyn in the GSLC at BVU! She was awesome to talk to about all the challenges of the college years. We used to rearrange her desk in the late night hours, then pop in early to see her reaction to her space. I remember sneaking her desserts from the cafeteria, and chatting with her for hours about her boys.

She was such an important part of my college experience - I am so sad to hear of her passing. Peace to the family and friends of Carolyn! ❤️

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**Jacquie Lonning** - August 19, 2020 at 08:14 PM

SB

“ Carolyn was a very special lady who truly loved her family. Our deepest sympathies go out to all.  
John and Sue Brown

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**sue Brown** - August 19, 2020 at 08:03 PM

AN

“ I remember gathering around the kitchen table at the Rosacker farm. It was after a girls basketball game and the whole family was analyzing the game. Dode had made her famous homemade brownies. Such a fun time. Love and prayers, my heart is with you.  
God Bless!  
Angie Finnegan Noecker

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**Angie Finnegan Noecker** - August 19, 2020 at 06:30 PM

RU

“ deepest condolences to Ted, the boys and family of Carolyn . Our families thoughts are with you

*Randy Utter and family*

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**Randy Utter** - August 19, 2020 at 05:01 PM

TL

“ I had the privilege of having Carolyn as my workstudy supervisor in the student leadership center at BVU and she was the best unofficial mom a college student could have! She would always brighten my day or commiserate with me--whatever I needed on that particular day! She will be missed by many!

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**Tanya Landgraf** - August 19, 2020 at 05:00 PM



“ 93 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - August 19, 2020 at 03:59 PM

TJ

“ Ted, Scott, Tim and families, my deepest sympathies to the Brown and Rosacker families for your loss. May God hold you and comfort you and give you piece.

*Tom and Chris Johnson*

Thomas C Johnson - August 19, 2020 at 03:19 PM



“ Fields of Europe was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.



August 19, 2020 at 02:20 PM



“ Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.



August 19, 2020 at 01:19 PM

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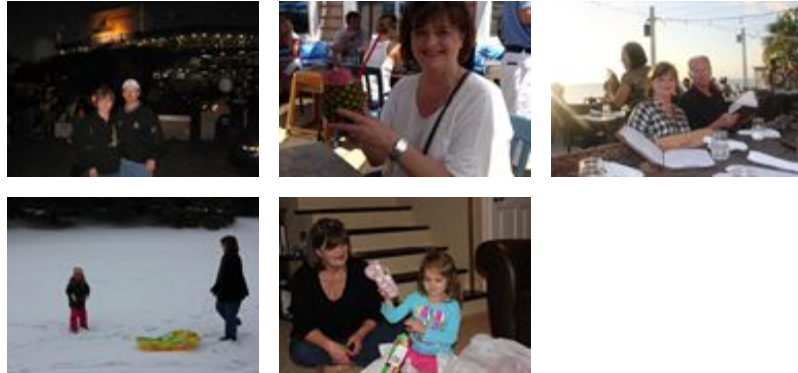
“ Marjean O'Bannon lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Brown



Marjean O'Bannon - August 19, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ 96 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - August 19, 2020 at 10:17 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.



August 19, 2020 at 10:14 AM



“ *Carolyn had a way of making me feel like it had just been days since we saw each other. Her stunning smile and easy manner will be missed. Hef and I are so sorry to hear of her passing. Thoughts and prayers for you and your family Ted.*

**Mary Hoefner** - August 19, 2020 at 09:58 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



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August 19, 2020 at 08:38 AM



“ *A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF CAROLINE BROWN, WIFE OF TED BROWN AND MOTHER TO SCOTT & FAMILY & TIM BROWN. SO SAD TO GO SO YOUNG. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. SHE IS NOW AT PEACE.*



*LOVE, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE*

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**PATTY GUNVILLE** - August 19, 2020 at 01:18 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All Pink was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



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August 18, 2020 at 10:22 PM



“ *Ted, our sympathies at your loss. The first memory I have of Carolyn, she was out at Lost Island with Linda and we took her water skiing. Lots of water over the dam since then.*  
*Rex Jones*

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**Rex Jones** - August 18, 2020 at 08:50 PM

DC

“ My deepest sympathy to all the Rosocker and Brown family. I'm so very sorry for your loss. This is a loss of goodness and kindness in the world. Love to all!



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**Dorene Steffen Clark** - August 18, 2020 at 08:27 PM

JB

“ Ted, Scott, Tim and families,  
Our deepest condolences to all of you. Carolyn was a classmate and good friend. We had many wonderful times together, including going to State in basketball in 1968. Carolyn was a beautiful person inside and out and will be greatly missed. I pray God will comfort you and give you peace. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. May all your wonderful memories keep you smiling and carry you through any difficult times.



*Jerry and Jane Baedke*

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**jane baedke** - August 18, 2020 at 07:56 PM

SS

“ Ted, Scott, Kristy and kids, and Tim: I am very sad and so very sorry for your loss of Carolyn. My most sincerest thoughts and prayers of sympathy to all of you. God's blessings of peace and comfort. Sue Speers

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**Sue Speers** - August 18, 2020 at 05:57 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



August 18, 2020 at 02:54 PM



“ *Pink & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



August 18, 2020 at 02:44 PM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – White was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



August 18, 2020 at 01:51 PM



“ *Ted and Family: I was saddened to hear that Carolyn had passed away, and extend my deepest sympathy. I have many pleasant memories from the period 1983-84 when I served as manager of the Storm Lake Job Service Office. Carolyn was a valued and trusted co-worker. May God comfort and sustain you.*

*Harold Van Der Weide, Orange City, Iowa*

**Harold Van Der Weide** - August 18, 2020 at 12:35 PM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



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August 18, 2020 at 12:00 PM



“ *Ted & Families, so sorry to hear about Carolyn. I always enjoyed my time with her at Sports Rehab. Always a smile and friendly conversation. She will be truly missed. You have our sympathy.*

*Candy/Mark Galbraith*

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**candy galbraith** - August 18, 2020 at 10:36 AM



*Ted and Family. We are to sorry to hear of Carolyn death. Prayers to all. George and Darlene Franzkowiak*

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**George Franzkowiak** - August 18, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ *Ted, so sorry to hear about Carolyn. I still recall the days of working with her. We had many pleasant fun loving days talking in the office. I really enjoyed her company. So sorry for your loss. Dean Boettcher*

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**Dean Boettcher** - August 18, 2020 at 10:28 AM

MT

“ My last conversation with Carolyn was at breakfast one morning. She was so excited to talk about the family vacation that her children (maybe Ted too?) had planned and surprised her with! Then of course when she was in line ahead of me at Grand Central, she bought my coffee. When I was in line in front of her I bought hers. There are so many memories. I especially remember she would get treats at the baseball games when Scott and Ben were in city league. She would set them out for Mary Rose and then Mary Rose would hang out with her the whole game. Many prayers and much love.  
Mary Timko

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**Mary Timko** - August 18, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.



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August 18, 2020 at 09:34 AM

LC

“ We are so sorry to hear of Carolyn's passing. Thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. Linda and Phil Currans

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**Linda Currans** - August 18, 2020 at 09:02 AM

DB

“ I am very sorry to learn about Carolyn. My condolences to Ted and the rest of the family. I haven't seen Carolyn for several years but I enjoyed our friendship at UNI and the summers back home. She was a good one.

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**Dick Broadie** - August 17, 2020 at 09:55 PM

TS

“ Tracy (Parman) Sutton purchased the Love's Embrace Roses – Purple for the family of Carolyn Brown.



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**Tracy (Parman) Sutton** - August 17, 2020 at 08:53 PM

KM

“ Ted,  
So very sorry for your loss. About a year ago Carolyn and I got together and discussed kids, grandkids, the days of baseball, etc. So glad we had the chance to catch up with each other. You have our sympathy. Julie McKinney

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**Kevin & Julie McKinney** - August 17, 2020 at 08:43 PM

KP

“ Kathy Pedersen lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Brown



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**Kathy Pedersen** - August 17, 2020 at 08:42 PM

TS

“ *Ted and family*  
*So sorry to hear of Carolyn. Keep the memories close. I am thinking of you at this difficult time.*

*Therese Frederick Schany*

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**Therese Schany** - August 17, 2020 at 07:12 PM

BM

“ *Our hearts are hurting right now and we can't imagine the sorrow your family is feeling. Our memories are full of days spent at the ball fields, basketball games and so many school events. We cannot begin to express the sympathy we feel.*

*Tim and Bev Mach*

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**Bev Mach** - August 17, 2020 at 06:19 PM

NG

“ *So sorry to hear this Ted. You have our sympathy!! Clark & Nancy Gordon*

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**Nancy Gordon** - August 17, 2020 at 03:18 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Carolyn Brown.*



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August 17, 2020 at 02:29 PM

KO

“ Carolyn and I would call each other once or twice a week, to catch up on children and grandchildren. I would always start at whose turn it was to call. I will really miss those calls, and by the way it was your turn. My heart hurts. Kathy Ortmann

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**Kathy A Ortmann** - August 17, 2020 at 01:59 PM

JW

“ Ted you have my sympathy. I know this is a hard time for you. Treasure your memories of Carolyn.

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**Jeanine Wichman** - August 17, 2020 at 01:48 PM

TC

“ Wow.....Carolyn was someone I always ended up laughing with whenever we ran into each other....she had a really great laugh. I loved her humor.....We are so sorry she left this earth so early. She loved her family with her whole being. To love is to hurt when someone leaves us....hope you can heal your tears with smiles when remembering life with her ....God Bless and welcome Carolyn....she'll be fun up there....but we will miss her here.

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**Tim/Pegi Cavanaugh** - August 17, 2020 at 12:49 PM