



David J. Pickhinke

October 28, 1937 - April 19, 2024

David J. Pickhinke, age 86, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Friday, April 19, 2024 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Funeral Mass will take place Friday, April 26, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be held Thursday, April 25, 2024 from 4-8:00 p.m. with Rosary at 4:00 p.m. with a vigil prayer service at 7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

David Joseph Pickhinke was born October 28, 1937 in Howells, Nebraska to Frank and Otilda (Dostal) Pickhinke. He was two years old when he moved to Early, Iowa with his family while his mother, Tillie, said he cried the whole way. He attended Sacred Heart School in Early and graduated in 1956. David served in the National Guard/Reserves from 1959 to 1964.

David married Jean Tentinger on September 1, 1962 in Remsen, Iowa. They raised their family of four children: Gwen, Steve, Russ, and Ellen, on their farm southwest of Early. Together, they welcomed 14 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. David retired from farming in 2003 and moved to Storm Lake where he enjoyed retirement, while helping Steve and Russ on the farm.

David was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Early until moving to Storm Lake where he has been a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. Throughout his life, David was active in his community, serving on the Early Elevator Board, church funeral dinner committee and assisted with Early Bingo.

Fishing with his family brought David joy. He had successfully taught all his grandchildren to play cards (maybe a little too well since they have won a game or two). One of his favorite sayings was "No friends in a card game!". He loved Polka music and going dancing with Jean. For many years, David was part of the antique tractor pulling group in which he pulled with his 1938 John Deere G. David took many memorable trips including traveling to the Holy Land, China, Egypt, Hawaii, Vegas, Greece/Turkey, Texas, and a bus trip to California.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children: Gwen (Steve) Peters of Marcus, Iowa; Steve (Tracy) Pickhinke of Early, Iowa; Russell (Lisa) Pickhinke of Sac City, Iowa; Ellen (Travis) Bolton of Olathe, Kansas; grandchildren: John (Kelly) Peters of Cleghorn, Iowa; Emily Peters of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Lisa Peters of Marcus, Iowa; David Peters (fiance Erica Engelhaupt) of Marcus, Iowa; Tyler (Alaina Kauffman) Pickhinke of Omaha, Nebraska; Alex (fiancé Julia Black) Pickhinke of Eagan, Minnesota; Connor (Hope Dohlman) Pickhinke of Early, Iowa; Logan Pickhinke of Early, Iowa; Ashley Pickhinke of Bennington, Nebraska; Brad Pickhinke of Chicago, Illinois; Megan Pickhinke of North Liberty, Iowa; Valerie, Hope, and Luke Bolton of Olathe, Kansas; great grandchildren: Heidi, Kurtis, and Garrett Peters; siblings: Donald (Marilyn) Pickhinke of Schaller, Iowa; Ervin (Shirley) Pickhinke of Sioux City, Iowa; Eugene (Eileen) Pickhinke of Early, Iowa; sister-in-law: Bernadine Pickhinke of Nemaha, Iowa; Jean's siblings and spouses: Janice Coon of Carroll, Iowa; Marilyn Sohm of Rochester, Minnesota; Mike (Ann) Tentinger of Remsen, Iowa; Pat (Fran) Tentinger of Des Moines, Iowa; Jerry (Pat)

Tentinger of Remsen, Iowa; Deb Tentinger of McKinney, Texas; Chuck (Jo) Tentinger of Remsen, Iowa; Mary (Roger) Welsh of Norwalk, Ohio; many nieces and nephews; extended family, and coffee friends.

David is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Jean Pickhinke in 2017; parents: Frank and Otilda Pickhinke; siblings: Ed (Vivalee) Pickhinke; Leonard Pickhinke; Alice (Don) Pudenz; parents-in-law: Erwin and Marie Tentinger; brothers-in-law: John Coon, Paul Sohm and Tom Tentinger.

Previous Events

Rosary

APR 25. 4:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
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Storm Lake, IA 50588
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Visitation

APR 25. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Prayer Vigil

APR 25. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

APR **26**. 10:30 AM (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 David J. Pickhinke*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 23, 2024 at 03:46 PM

JB

I enjoyed watching the tribute. I can tell how important family was to him and he lived life to the fullest! Jan Brown

Jan Brown - April 26, 2024 at 11:32 AM

PO

Sorry for your loss, Dave was a great guy!!!

Pat O'Leary - April 26, 2024 at 10:04 PM

PM

“ *I have known the Pickhinke family from my time at Sacred Heart school in Early, Iowa. Donald was my best friend. David was two years older, but I remember David very well. I remember him as a kind soul and a great guy. Our families socialized over the years. My parents retired to Fremont, NE and I left the area after college.*

Paul Miller - January 18, 2025 at 02:51 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



April 26, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ Lynne and David Brooks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David J. Pickhinke.

Lynne and David Brooks - April 26, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



April 25, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ The Jennett and Appleseth families purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



The Jennett and Appleseth families - April 25, 2024 at 11:36 AM

LJ

“ *Lilly, Sharon W, Mindy, Kaycie, & Janel purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of David J. Pickhinke.*



Lilly, Sharon W, Mindy, Kaycie, & Janel - April 24, 2024 at 07:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David J. Pickhinke.*



April 24, 2024 at 02:02 PM

MT

“ *Matt, Shanda, and the Landus Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David J. Pickhinke.*



Matt, Shanda, and the Landus Team - April 24, 2024 at 01:14 AM

KM

“ *Pickhinke family- love, prayers and sympathy to you all. I will forever remember Dave's big laugh and humor! What a guy!!*



Kay Marvin - April 23, 2024 at 08:42 PM

WG

“ With love from 007 & Gracen purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



With love from 007 & Gracen - April 23, 2024 at 05:30 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



April 23, 2024 at 04:45 PM



“ 271 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 23, 2024 at 03:33 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



April 22, 2024 at 01:25 PM



“ Dave was one of my favorite buddies when we were in Sacred Heart High School in Early. As an adult the few times I saw him in Storm Lake, he was so kind and considerate. Just like we left off in high school. I last saw him when my brother John and I would go to the coffee shop at Hy-Vee.
Rest In Peace, My Friend!!

William "Bill" Massop - April 22, 2024 at 11:37 AM



“ Dave, Logan and Jenna Merten lit a candle in memory of David Pickhinke



Dave, Deb, Logan and Jenna Merten - April 22, 2024 at 11:14 AM



“ Charlene, Julie and Teri purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



Charlene, Julie and Teri - April 21, 2024 at 09:49 PM

CT

“ Charlene, Julie and Teri planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David J. Pickhinke.

Charlene, Julie and Teri - April 21, 2024 at 09:49 PM

WT

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family of Dave Pickhinke. He was a great person and will be missed by all.



Wilbur/Karen Triplett - April 21, 2024 at 06:56 PM

DP

“ I am Donna (Sitzmann) Pittman. I work at the Storm Lake HyVee. I have enjoyed seeing and visiting with your Dad many times when he came in for coffee. Really have missed him, and his warm smile. He was a sweet man. So sorry for your loss.

Donna Pittman - April 21, 2024 at 01:29 PM

AF

“ Amie, Kris, Angi & families purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



Amie, Kris, Angi & families - April 20, 2024 at 01:49 PM

DM

“ OUR sincere thoughts & prayers to Dave Jean & Family, had many polka dances with them God Bless RUSS & DIANE MEYER



diane meyer - April 20, 2024 at 01:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David J. Pickhinke.



April 20, 2024 at 10:47 AM

MF

“ 65 years ago Dave Pickhinke, Marlin Friedrich and Ronald Hoops left for the Army basic training October 12 at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Marlin Friedrich - April 20, 2024 at 09:02 AM

SU

“ I have the most wonderful memories of your dad! He always had a warm smile, little pieces of advice on life and he sure loved his Polka Music!
My sincerest condolences to all of you, and may Peace, Grace and Strength along with Gods Eternal Love & Light, be with you all as you grieve & remember this great man and his life.

Stephanie Ulven - April 20, 2024 at 07:29 AM

JC

“ *Jeff/Jean Chindlund lit a candle in memory of David Pickhinke*



Jeff/Jean Chindlund - April 19, 2024 at 10:32 PM