



## Edward Urban

May 12, 1948 - February 24, 2020

Edward Albert Urban, 71 went peacefully into the open arms of the Lord on Monday, February 24th at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center due to complications from heart disease.

A memorial will be determined at a later time. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Edward was born on May 12, 1948 in Cherokee, Iowa to Clyde W. Urban and Arvilla (Clark) Urban.

Edward was raised in Iowa and lived there until he went to Europe, he was a missionary in Europe for nearly twelve years. He then moved to California in 1985 where he lived for many years where he was a teacher and writer. Later he moved back to Iowa to be with his sister and help care for her.

Edward married Penny Klein (Rush) in 1979 and was married to her for 14 years and had two children. They later divorced although they remained friends throughout his life. Edward had many close friends in Iowa who described him as a very sweet and caring person. He had a very giving heart with so much love for others. Edward had a great love for the Lord and always sought to get closer to God. He enjoyed writing, reading and music.

Edward is survived by his two children Edward Klein Urban and Jennifer Lynn O'Toole (Urban), 6 grandkids Jade, Noah, Brooke, Austin, Sienna, Caden, his sister Marjorie J. Urban and nieces and nephew. He was preceded by his parents and his brother Wendall Urban.

# Tribute Wall

BR

“ I read this page again for the first time since Ed’s passing. I was reminded of a trip we made in about 1992 or 93 or 94 to Las Vegas. I travelled from Missouri and Ed from California and we stayed at The Desert Inn and saw Frank Sinatra. It was a wonderful time enjoying the city and seeing Mr Sinatra. Thank you Ed for a great weekend.

Bruce - June 23, 2025 at 10:50 PM

NG

“ I worked with Ed in Brussels and have good memories of him. He loved God!



Nancy Gemmell - February 22, 2024 at 06:21 PM

AK

“ I was acquainted with Edward as a patron at the Storm Lake Public Library where I work. He was always so kind and thoughtful whenever he came in. A number of times he asked my name; eventually he remembered it and made a point to use it when greeting me. He always had a smile and a kind word. Shortly before learning of his passing, I was thinking how we hadn't seen Ed Urban at the library for awhile. We'll miss him there! My sincere sympathies to his family members and friends.

*Aimee Kampbell*

Aimee Kampbell - March 10, 2020 at 02:08 AM

JE

*Thank you I appreciate it. I am his daughter and miss him.*

**Jennifer** - November 03, 2020 at 11:23 AM

BM

*I was acquainted with Ed while living in Brussels, Belgium. My wife and I worked for International Correspondence Institute and Ed worked for FGBMFI. I have many pleasant memories of Ed. I just learned of his passing today.*

**Bruce Menzies** - July 24, 2021 at 08:19 PM

LW

*“ I wish I would have known Edward longer, he was a very kind man and I thoroughly enjoyed talking and laughing with him. He will be greatly missed. I know your laughing and having and enjoying your time in heaven.*

**Levi Wold** - March 03, 2020 at 04:44 PM

JE

*Thank you. I miss him and he was a great dad.*

**Jennifer** - November 03, 2020 at 11:24 AM

GS

*“ It was a pleasure meeting and caring for Edward at Good Samaritan Society of Newell. We are thinking of you all during this difficult time. Prayers to the family.*



**Good Samaritan Society-Newell** - March 03, 2020 at 01:46 PM

PG

“ WE KNEW ED THROUGH HIS SISTER MARGE. WE LIVE IN THE APT. WHERE MARGE USED TO LIVE AND HE WAS ALWAYS THERE. LOVED TO VISIT. MAY ED RIP.



*PEACE, THE GUNVILLES'*

**PATTY GUNVILLE** - March 02, 2020 at 11:07 AM

SP

“ I am also a SLHS classmate. I had several study halls with Ed, and we had so much fun not studying! He had such a kind heart. I was delighted to see him a few times when I was back visiting in SL. I was so impressed with his missionary work.

**Sue Thompson Potee** - February 26, 2020 at 08:58 PM

JO

*Hi my name is Jennifer I am Ed's daughter. Thank you for sharing. He is greatly missed.*

**Jennifer O'Toole** - February 29, 2020 at 08:57 PM

KK

“ Ed was a very kind and loving person. I loved running into him at the park and in the stores. We would talk for long periods. Loved his stories. His sister taught my children and we often talked about her. I know that he is happy to be with God. We will miss you Ed.

**Kris and Jim K.** - February 26, 2020 at 08:02 PM

JO

*I am Jennifer Ed's daughter. Thank you for sharing. He was such a great person and will be missed*

**Jennifer O'Toole** - February 29, 2020 at 09:00 PM

JS

“ Sorry to hear of Ed's passing. Enjoyed working with him @ Walmart and enjoyed listening to his stories when he would be in shopping. My sympathy,  
Jessica Staton

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**Jessica Staton** - February 26, 2020 at 01:15 PM

RS

“ We enjoyed our visits with Ed at the Fonda Arts Center and more recently at regular trips to Walmart. Ed was always interested in others and what they were doing. Thoughts and prayers to his family.

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**Randy and Marilyn Schmitt** - February 26, 2020 at 08:30 AM

CL

“ I'm sadden to hear that Ed past away. He was always a great friend and customer of mine. Super sweet and always willing to share stories. May you rest in peace.

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**Claudia** - February 26, 2020 at 08:17 AM

JK

“ Ed and I were high school buddies and used to hang out together often in Storm Lake. I am greatly saddened by his passing. I will miss my dear friend very much.  
I am so sorry he has left earth and know his family and friends will miss him greatly, as will I. God Bless you dear friend. Jean

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**Jean (Campbell) Kender** - February 26, 2020 at 03:48 AM

JO

Hi I am Jennifer Ed's daughter. Thank you for sharing. It was nice to hear from someone who went to high school with him. He will be missed.

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**Jennifer O'Toole** - February 29, 2020 at 09:02 PM

JD

“ So sorry to hear of Ed's passing. I enjoyed working with him at Walmart and visiting with him as a customer. He always called me his favorite manager! Sorry for your loss. Jan Dowdy

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**Jan Dowdy** - February 25, 2020 at 10:37 PM

TD

“ On Valentine's Day, when I was visiting several friends at Newell Good Samaritan, I became aware that Ed was living there. We met in the hall and my husband, myself and Ed talked for quite a while. I am so happy that I had that one on one with the sweet man. The world is missing a truly kind soul with the passing of Ed.

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**Terry Davenport** - February 25, 2020 at 04:27 PM

JS

I am both sad and annoyed when I learned of your death. Talked with you on the phone on the 23rd. Had a memorable outing with you on the 21st in Storm Lake. Fun times in Des Moines at the concerts. Will always remember you choosing the wrong pickup truck at the Casey's in Perry. Looking forward to seeing you again. Jack

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**John Steig** - February 27, 2020 at 07:21 PM