



Irwin "Mac" McKenna

December 29, 1932 - March 4, 2017

Irwin "Mac" McKenna, age 84, of Okoboji, Iowa formerly of Storm Lake, Iowa died Saturday, March 4, 2017 at his home.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. A private family burial will be in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Storm Lake. A Celebration of Life will follow at the KC Hall in Storm Lake. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of your choice. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Irwin Leo McKenna was born December 29, 1932, in Storm Lake, IA, the son of Thomas Leo and Edith (Harrup) McKenna.

Mac was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake.

He attended Providence Cons. in Sulphur Springs and graduated from St. Mary's in Storm Lake. He furthered his education at Buena Vista College where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education. After a couple years of teaching, Mac became involved in the sales industry and was the owner of the Okoboji Motel.

Mac joined the United States Army where he served his country during

Peacetime.

Mac was a sports enthusiast and especially loved baseball.

Those left to cherish his memory include his sister, Betty Cawley of Mililani, HI and her four children; Barb McIntire, Julie Bender (John), Tom Cawley (Susan), Kellie Moberg (Carl); brother-in-law, Bill Stessman of Charlotte, NC and his four children; Sheryl Stessman, Laura England (Jeff), Lisa Stessman, Mark Stessman (Tina); cousin, Nate McKenna of Storm Lake; extended family and friends.

Mac was preceded in death by his parents; and his sisters: Elaine, Jane Stessman; and brother-in-law, Don Cawley.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

LW

“ I was thinking about Mac recently and decided to google him. Several years ago, when he had Okoboiji Motel, I needed a place to stay for an extended period as I was taking classes at a local college. Housing was not available, and I stumbled upon his motel. The day that I arrived, there had been a storm, and his motel (and pool) were absolutely spotless. I stayed at the Motel on and off for several years while I was taking classes. He was absolutely a kind, interesting, and fun person. I am truly sorry for your loss. Laurie Worcester

Laurie Worcester - April 18, 2017 at 02:13 PM

MM

“ Out thoughts and prayers are with the family of Mac McKenna at this sad time. We have memories of Mac from Okoboiji - especially the Hi-Ho lounge. Also of a fun time we had with his sister, Betty and husband Don, when we were in Hawaii. Sincere Sympathy, Fred and Margaret McKim



Margaret McKim - March 22, 2017 at 03:14 PM

PB

“ Pat Barnett lit a candle in memory of Irwin "Mac" McKenna



Pat Barnett - March 15, 2017 at 06:56 PM

DS

“ So many fond memories, BV ball games, home coming(19 th hole), dental school, casino visits, 316, Smoking Jakes, these plus his humor will be missed. RIP MAC.

Darrell Sorey - March 14, 2017 at 08:34 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Mac--I will always remember him bringing me a pencil drawing of my 4th grade school picture that an Army buddy drew while they served together in Germany and the cuckoo clock he brought for my mom!
Go University of Okoboji!!!!

Francis and Marsha (McKenna) Mernin

Marsha Mernin - March 13, 2017 at 09:37 PM

CS

“ Charlie "tuna" Schnirring lit a candle in memory of Irwin "Mac" McKenna



charlie "tuna" schnirring - March 11, 2017 at 08:38 PM

JC

“ Jeff And Jean Chindlund lit a candle in memory of Irwin "Mac" McKenna



Jeff and Jean Chindlund - March 11, 2017 at 10:45 AM