



James Temple

June 24, 1968 - December 19, 2025

James Joseph Temple, age 57, of Newell, Iowa died December 19, 2025 at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake, Iowa.

A Celebration of Life will take place Tuesday, December 23, 2025 from 5-8:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in STORM LAKE. The family kindly requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to support the family with unexpected expenses. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

James was born June 24th, 1968 to Edward and Janet (Todd) Temple in Sioux City, Iowa. The Temple Family moved to Newell when James was in grade school, and it was the place he would call home for the rest of his earthly life. He was confirmed in 1982 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church and graduated from Newell Providence in 1986, after which time he went to work for his father at Temple Construction. James also worked for the City of Newell and the Newell Cooperative Elevator, before eventually joining Buena Vista County Secondary Roads where he would remain a dependable and devoted worker for more than 20 years. James started with the county on the tiling crew, eventually working his way up to tile crew foreman. He also operated the grader in the wintertime out of the county shed in Newell before being promoted to year-round grader operator, a position he held until his untimely death.

James looked for various opportunities throughout his life to give back to the community he so dearly loved, including serving as President of the Newell-Fonda Athletic Boosters and board member of the Newell Public Library. In his free time, James loved spending time with his family. Whether it was camping or snowmobiling, he was always looking for ways to create fun memories for his entire family. He also enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle, especially for local poker runs and a couple trips to Sturgis in the Black Hills. All through his life, James remained a loyal Nebraska Cornhusker fan and enjoyed watching Husker sports. He was an avid eight-ball pool player, a skill he developed playing snooker as a young kid. In his younger days, he also enjoyed playing basketball in the local men's league. More than anything, James loved his family, and he took great pride in all of his children's accomplishments. When he wasn't coaching his children's sports teams, you could find him cheering them on from the bleachers. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Wendy Rebhuhn of Newell, Iowa; children: Andrew (Brooke) Temple of Norfolk, Nebraska; Courtney (Jeff) Wheeler of Elkhorn, Nebraska; Collin Temple of Iowa Falls, Iowa; Sidney Burbridge of Newell, Iowa; Braxton Temple of Newell, Iowa; grandchild: August Temple of Norfolk, Nebraska; brother: Ricky Peters; uncles and aunts: Kenneth (Karen) Todd of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa; Norma (Ronald) Rappe of Waukeet, Iowa; Phyllis Todd of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa; Yvonne Harrington of Sioux City, Iowa; parents-in-law: Mike and Deb Rebhuhn of Albert City, Iowa; extended family and many friends.

James was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Janet Temple, brother Kelvin Peters, and infant sister Lisa Temple.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC **23**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Temple*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - December 23, 2025 at 12:52 PM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - January 30 at 01:50 PM

TC

“ *Shocked..... numb. So glad we called him “friend.”*

Tim/Peg Cavanaugh - December 26, 2025 at 12:13 AM

LN

“ *Lyn and Steve Nelson lit a candle in memory of James Temple*



Lyn and Steve Nelson - December 23, 2025 at 08:54 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of James Temple.*



December 22, 2025 at 04:43 PM



“ *Sharon and Scott Voss lit a candle in memory of James Temple*



Sharon and Scott Voss - December 22, 2025 at 02:44 PM



“ *Lana Crilly lit a candle in memory of James Temple*



Lana Crilly - December 22, 2025 at 12:14 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Temple.*



December 22, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Temple.



December 22, 2025 at 12:06 PM



“ Iowa Falls Fareway planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Temple.

Iowa Falls Fareway - December 22, 2025 at 12:06 PM



“ We are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers! Jimmy will be missed by so many!

Travis & Hanna Kies - December 22, 2025 at 10:47 AM



“ Nucor Cold Finish purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of James Temple.



Nucor Cold Finish - December 22, 2025 at 10:22 AM

JH

“ Jason&Shawn Holtgrewe lit a candle in memory of James Temple



Jason&Shawn Holtgrewe - December 22, 2025 at 10:11 AM

NW

“ Nate, Taylor, and Freyja Waxdahl purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of James Temple.



Nate, Taylor, and Freyja Waxdahl - December 22, 2025 at 09:31 AM

MF

“ Markhoser, Kohles, & Nordbys families purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of James Temple.



Markhoser, Kohles, & Nordbys families - December 22, 2025 at 09:24 AM

SM

“ Steven, Katelyn, and Emersyn McCann purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Temple.



Steven, Katelyn, and Emersyn McCann - December 22, 2025 at 09:11 AM

BT

“ *Bill and Danis Thompson lit a candle in memory of James Temple*



Bill and Danis Thompson - December 21, 2025 at 09:35 PM

DE

“ *Prayers for peace and heartfelt condolences to Temple family. Rest easy Coach Jimmy🏀 you will be missed!*



Daniel, Witten and Brandi Ernst

Daniel, Witten & Brandi Ernst - December 21, 2025 at 09:23 PM

SJ

“ *From Brent, Samantha, and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*



Samantha Johnson - December 21, 2025 at 06:00 PM

KM

“ *My sympathy to the family. Jimmy was a great guy! Kay Snyder Marvin*



Kay Marvin - December 21, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Temple.



December 21, 2025 at 04:05 PM



“ The 2014 Class purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of James Temple.



The 2014 Class - December 21, 2025 at 02:23 PM



“ Gene & Samantha Wadle lit a candle in memory of James Temple



Gene & Samantha Wadle - December 21, 2025 at 02:22 PM



“ Still can not believe this is true. Our hearts are hurting as we feel Jimmy was part of our family. His smile, hugs and friendship will never be forgotten. He has shared his kids with us and our hearts go out to them also. Sending our deepest sympathy to Wendy and all of his family. Hugs and prayers are coming from Florida. Roger and Jeannie Bellinghausen

Jeannie Bellinghausen - December 21, 2025 at 01:53 PM

RW

“ *Ruth Westergaard lit a candle in memory of James Temple*



Ruth Westergaard - December 21, 2025 at 01:41 PM

LR

“ *We are saddened by this news. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. Sending sympathies, peace and comfort. Pat, Lori and Nate Rasmussen*

Lori Rasmussen - December 21, 2025 at 01:27 PM

RW

“ *Roberta Wise lit a candle in memory of James Temple*



Roberta Wise - December 21, 2025 at 01:24 PM

1L

“ *1890 legacies purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of James Temple.*



1890 legacies - December 21, 2025 at 01:15 PM

TH

“ Tammy Huseman lit a candle in memory of James Temple



Tammy Huseman - December 21, 2025 at 06:53 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Temple.



December 20, 2025 at 09:08 PM

DJ

“ This news is so very sad. Jimmy was a very kind, hardworking young man. I am so sorry for your loss. I pray all of you can find some joy in your memories with Jim. I pray God gives you strength to get through this very difficult time. My deepest sympathies to each of you ❤️

Diane Johnson - December 20, 2025 at 08:14 PM

JE

“ May your happy memories give you peace and comfort during this challenging time. ~ Bruce and Jo Erie



Jo Erie - December 20, 2025 at 07:36 PM

N2

“ *N-F Class of 2016 purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Temple.*



N-F Class of 2016 - December 20, 2025 at 05:58 PM

MJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. He was one of a kind. Mike & Shelly*



Mike & Shelly Jensen - December 20, 2025 at 05:09 PM