



## Jerry Leigh Buckendahl

November 15, 1941 - August 23, 2018

Jerry Leigh Buckendahl, age 76, of Alta, Iowa died August 23, 2018 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Funeral Mass will take place Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will take place Monday, August 27, 2018 from 5-7:00 p.m. with a vigil service at 7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in STORM LAKE. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Alta playground fund. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Jerry was born November 15, 1941 in Santa Monica, California. He was the son of Edwin and Vera (Peck) Buckendahl. He attended and graduated from Alta High School in 1960. Jerry served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Jerry married Vernie Rassler on August 1, 1966. They made their home and raised five children in Alta. Jerry worked as a salesman for most of his career and retired from Methodist Manor where he worked in the maintenance department. After retirement he helped Vernie with her in home daycare. Jerry was active in the community and served in various organizations and on several boards including the Alta Library Board, Park Board, and was also a

city councilman. He was a member of Kiwanis and VFW. Jerry very much enjoyed visiting about local events and happenings with family, neighbors, and friends. He also loved the holidays and would always decorate for Christmas, both inside and outside the house.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Vernie Buckendahl; a brother, Ed Buckendahl; brothers-in-law, Larry Beckendorf and Ray Rassler.

He is survived by his children, Dave (Darla) Buckendahl of Alta, Iowa, Daniel Buckendahl of Alta, Iowa, Dale (Susan) Buckendahl of Alta, Iowa, Nancy (Keith) Erlandson of Xi'an China, and Doug Buckendahl of Alta, Iowa; 8 grandchildren, Ashleigh (Bryan) Arndorfer, Alyssa (Doug) Miller, Kelsey Erlandson, Parker Buckendahl, Lily Buckendahl, Trista Erlandson, Lainey Buckendahl and Meleigha Buckendahl; 2 great grandchildren, Neal and Bailey Miller; sister, Jane Beckendorf ; brother, James (Melody) Buckendahl; sisters-in-law, Carol Buckendahl, Annabelle (Ron) Chindlund, Peg Anderson, Sally Rassler, Dee (Kelly) Meyer; brothers-in-law, Ed Rassler, and Ken (Becky) Rassler, and many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake  
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
(712) 732-1911  
jensenfuneralhomes@gmail.com  
<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

## Vigil Service

AUG 27. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

AUG 28. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

TR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Trina - August 27, 2018 at 10:12 PM

TR

“ Coming back to Iowa was such a special trip each time we made it from Washington. Sitting around the table by the big window at Grandma and Grandpa's house just waiting for all the Aunts and Uncles to arrive. It was never a dull moment with all the family together. I remember Uncle Jerry always telling stories about this neighbor and that neighbor. He knew everything about the town of Alta. He has a special place in my heart as my Godfather. It is so hard to lose a loved one but I know you are enjoying some long talks with my dad. Love you, Trina Buckendahl Munsch

Trina - August 27, 2018 at 10:11 PM

MH

“ Michelle Henderson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl



Michelle Henderson - August 27, 2018 at 08:46 PM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes - August 27, 2018 at 03:50 PM



“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl.



August 27, 2018 at 10:29 AM

PA

“ Jerry, I will miss a great Brother in Law. I will miss our phone conversations and visiting you at the Manor. Gods speed as you will be another Angel by Vernies side.

Peg Anderson - August 27, 2018 at 10:01 AM

PA

“ Peg Anderson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl



Peg Anderson - August 27, 2018 at 09:59 AM

PA

“ Peg Anderson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl



Peg Anderson - August 27, 2018 at 09:57 AM

CR

“ Connie Roche lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl



connie roche - August 25, 2018 at 04:40 PM

FF

“ From Your SSI Family purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl.



From Your SSI Family - August 25, 2018 at 03:18 PM

MF

“ Mary Farrell lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl



Mary Farrell - August 25, 2018 at 11:30 AM



“ *Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl.*



August 25, 2018 at 01:41 AM



“ *SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF JERRY BUCKENDAHL. OUR PRAYERS GO ALONG TOO. MAY JERRY RIP.*



*LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE  
SROEM LAKE, IOWA*

**PATTY GUNVILLE** - August 24, 2018 at 05:44 PM



“ *Doris And Dale Wiley lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl*



**Doris and Dale Wiley** - August 24, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ *Michelle Munoz lit a candle in memory of Jerry Leigh Buckendahl*



**Michelle Munoz** - August 24, 2018 at 01:26 PM

TP

*We lost a good man his life at the manor was rewarding to us and got to know him as friend at the manor tom lorene prchal*

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**thomas prchal** - August 25, 2018 at 07:51 PM