



Kenneth Kramer

May 27, 1931 - July 25, 2016

Kenneth Kramer, age 85, of Alta, Iowa died Monday, July 25, 2016 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Funeral Mass will be held Saturday, July 30, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Storm Lake with full military rites by the Alta VFW Post #6172. Visitation will take place Friday, July 29, 2016 from 4-8:00 p.m. with a Fourth Degree Honor Guard at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home. A vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m. followed by a KC Rosary all at the Funeral Home. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Kenneth Joseph Kramer was born May 27, 1931 in Carroll, Iowa, the son of Bernard Sr. and Marie (Ocken) Kramer. Early in his life, Kenneth was baptized and later confirmed at the St. Francis Church in Maple River, Iowa.

Kenneth attended grade school at Maple River and later attended high school in Pocahontas, where he graduated in 1949. He then furthered his education at Elgin Watch Makers School in Elgin, Illinois, where he graduated in 1957.

In September of 1952, Kenneth was drafted into the United States Army to serve his country during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in

1954.

Kenneth married Marlene Powell on February 3, 1990 in Grinnell, Iowa at the St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Kenneth was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. He became a member of the Knights of Columbus in 1977 and earned Fourth Degree in 1980. Kenneth was also a member of the Alta VFW Post #6172, the Eagles Club in Grinnell, the American Legion, the Alta Golf and Country Club, and was a 50 year member of the Elks Club.

Kenneth enjoyed many other activities and hobbies such as bowling, golf, cards, yard work, and gardening. He especially enjoyed the Brushy Creek Honor Flight. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory his wife: Marlene Kramer of Alta, Iowa; children: Patrick (Amy) Kramer of Beecher, Illinois; step daughters: Tracy Johnson of Alta, Iowa; Toni (Kevin) Hammer of Alta, Iowa; Lee (Bradley) Martin of Alta, Iowa; grandchildren: Julia Kramer of Beecher, Illinois; Tyler Kramer of Beecher, Illinois; Michelle Ruby of Alta, Iowa; Jeremiah Ruby of Alta, Iowa; James Martin of Alta, Iowa; Jamie (Fanny) Hammer of Alta, Iowa; Jahde (Kevin) Osborn of Harlan, Iowa; great-grandchildren: Pako Garcia of Alta, Iowa; Diego Garcia of Alta, Iowa; Jaycob Hammer of Alta, Iowa; Andrea Hammer of Alta, Iowa; Miss Charlie Osborn of Harlan, Iowa; Carter Osborn of Harlan, Iowa; brothers: Bob (Mariam) Kramer of Storm Lake, Iowa; John (Sandy) Kramer of Pocahontas, Iowa; Jerry Kramer of Pocahontas, Iowa; Mike (Pauline) Kramer of Cherokee, Iowa; sisters: Ruth Reis of Pocahontas, Iowa; Linda (Dick) Wirges of Omaha, Nebraska; sisters-in-law: Barb (Loren) Kramer of Fort Dodge, Iowa; Fran (Ben) Kramer of Pocahontas, Iowa; his beloved dog, Kaci; many nieces and nephews; extended family and friends.

Kenneth is preceded in death by his parents: Ben and Marie (Ocken) Kramer; brothers: Leon, Vernice, Loren, Eugene, and Ben Kramer; sisters-in-law: Gladys (Leon) Kramer and JoAnn (Ben) Kramer; and brother-in-law, Leonard (Ruth) Reis.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 29. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
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Vigil Service

JUL 29. 7:30 PM (CT)

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Rosary

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Service

JUL **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Funeral Home - July 29, 2016 at 03:27 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth Kramer.



July 29, 2016 at 03:23 PM

JS

“ Kenny grew up on the farm just south of where I grew up. I spent many times at that home with his sister, Linda. My mom, Luella Vodraska, and I express our sincere sympathy.
Jan Schwanz

Jan Schwanz - July 29, 2016 at 09:52 AM

PG

“ I've known Kenny since 1973 as my Jeweler, Brother Knight, Eagles member, Elks member, lead off man on our bowling team and a friend. After he moved to Alta we didn't see him very often but he always made it back if a 4th degree KofC passed. I wish I could make it to Alta to see him off but due to previous commitments I will not be able to attend physically but I will be there in spirit. RIP Kenny Kramer, you will be missed. Are prayers go out to Marlene & the rest of his family.

Pete Guillaume - July 28, 2016 at 07:44 PM

BM

“ Rest In Peace Kenny...you will be deeply missed by all. We are sending condolences and prayers to the family.



Brenda Miller - July 28, 2016 at 06:45 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Kenneth Kramer.



July 28, 2016 at 03:43 PM

MR

“ I have many wonderful memories of Kenny growing and as an adult. RIP Ken, prayers for all that love you. Michelle Gropper Reitzler

michelle reitzler - July 27, 2016 at 10:33 PM

GC

“ Sad to here of Ken's passing. Many memories of the days when as young bachelors in Montezuma my apartment was just down the street a couple of doors from his jewelry shop. Lots of good times both when he lived in Monte and after he moved to Grinnell.

Gayle Creswell

Gayle Creswell - July 27, 2016 at 09:10 PM

JW

“ I remember how kind Kenny was to me and how much I enjoyed helping him move with his friend Bill Lohse. My condolences to his family.

James P Wax - July 27, 2016 at 03:58 PM

KB

“ I spent many days fishing with Kenny in Canada on the annual first week of June fishing trips. Pat will recall many of these trips and the great times we shared with his father. I'm not sure if he will remember the foot races on Blackbird Island but most of the group was really surprised at Ken's speed.
Pat I hope you are enjoying life.

Sincerely, Kenny Beard

Kenneth Beard - July 27, 2016 at 03:20 PM

TK

“ Godspeed to the Kramer Family, many fond memories.
Dwayne and Tammy Kriegel

Tammy Kriegel - July 27, 2016 at 12:55 PM

RZ

“ My condolences to family. Kenny was a dear friend and we shared many great memories fishing, bowling, golfing, cards and many more. He will be missed. Blessings to the family.

Dick Zobel

Richard Zobel - July 27, 2016 at 11:28 AM

LS

“ Kenny was just a good friend to my mom and dad, he played cards with my dad, they dressed up as KC Clowns and walked in parades. Kenny was there for us when we lost my dad almost 11 years ago. Thoughts and prayers to Kenny's family and friends.

lori schmidt - July 27, 2016 at 07:43 AM

CT

“ Charlie Tuna lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Kramer



Charlie Tuna - July 27, 2016 at 04:16 AM

KC

“ Kris Combes lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Kramer



Kris Combes - July 27, 2016 at 01:34 AM

KC

Sorry for your loss. Prayers to family.

Kris Combes - July 27, 2016 at 01:34 AM

CB

“ *Christine Brown lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Kramer*



Christine Brown - July 26, 2016 at 09:47 PM

LM

“ *Lexi Moon lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Kramer*



Lexi Moon - July 26, 2016 at 07:58 PM