



## Larry T. Mullally

May 10, 1945 - January 29, 2023

Lawrence “Larry” Thomas Mullally, age 77, of Storm Lake, Iowa died peacefully surrounded by family on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at the St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center in Sioux City, Iowa.

A Funeral Mass will take place Friday, February 3, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at the St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will take place at a later date in the Elk Township Cemetery in Alta, Iowa. Visitation will be held Thursday, February 2, 2023 from 4-7:00 p.m. with a Prayer Vigil beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Larry was born May 10, 1945 to Michael Joseph Mullally Sr. and Marie (Hames) Mullally in Le Mars, Iowa. He enjoyed his childhood with his large family there. After high school, Larry served as the mess sergeant in Colorado Springs for the Army National Guard from 1968-1971.

Larry’s love of cooking and entrepreneurship was fostered through his involvement in the family’s restaurant, Lally’s Eastside, alongside his dad, mom, and siblings. In 1971, he ventured to Vermillion, South Dakota where he became the successful manager of the Derby Gas Station until 1975. He then moved his young family back to LeMars until 1976 when they moved to Aurelia, Iowa and was employed at the Chesterman Coca-Cola Co. In 1979,

his love of cooking lured him to purchase the Lally's Café in Marcus, Iowa. It was at this point he and his wife's reputation as successful restaurant owners began to flourish. In 1983, he purchased the infamous Pantry Café in Storm Lake, Iowa where he successfully blessed the town with great food and sense of community for 15 years until 1998. He pursued his dream of having a steak house and purchased the landmark dinner club, The Golden Pheasant, until his retirement in September of 2019. Throughout these years, Larry rarely slowed down and contrary to most people he didn't enjoy the idleness of retirement however his wife wouldn't let him go back to work. He was revered for being a supreme and mainly self-taught chef. Larry treasured any opportunity that he could teach his trade and share his talent to all of his proteges.

Larry fell in love with Jo Ellen "Ellen", while working at Lally's Eastside. They were married on July 27, 1968 in Strubel, Iowa and lived a full and happy life together for the next 54 1/2 years. This is quite an accomplishment as they worked as partners in the business for all those years. He loved being dragged to the casinos with Jo Ellen and wanted to know where she was at any moment of the day. Larry and Jo Ellen were blessed with four children: Missy, Mindy, Melea, and Mike.

Larry could be found sitting in his rocking chair in the garage smoking a cigar, watching numerous sporting games. He especially loved when the Vikings or Huskers were playing. His whole life he was in pursuit of the perfect television set up and spent hours of his time fiddling with the TV and remote attempting to master it all. He was Larry the Cableguy!

More than anything, Larry treasured time spent with his family. He was proud to be a Mullally and loved his Irish and Luxemburg heritage. His children and grandchildren were his pride and joy. They were the best at everything and could do no wrong. He was a faithful attendee to grandkids' activities. He

loved to teach his children and grandchildren the game of golf and he had an amazing short game. He was proud of his hole-in-one at Lake Creek.

Larry had a gift of putting people under his wings and guiding them. He would always give people a chance, and the door was always open.

Larry is survived by his beloved wife, Jo Ellen (Gotto) Mullally of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Missy (Dale) Simmons of Hudson, Wisconsin; Mindy (Cory) Weiland of Storm Lake, Iowa; Melea (Jason) Raveling of Storm Lake, Iowa; Mike (Stephanie) Mullally of Hudson, Wisconsin; brothers: Tom (Patty) Mullally of LeMars, Iowa; sisters: Margene Geary of Hopkins, Minnesota; Susie (Rocky) Bunjes of LeMars, Iowa; Karen (Mike) Pommier of Winterset, Iowa; JoAnn (Horn) Singer of LeMars, Iowa; Margie Davis of LeMars, Iowa; Malea (Kim) Penne of LeMars, Iowa; brother-in-law: David Klave of LeMars, Iowa; sisters-in-law: Nancy Mullally of LeMars, Iowa; Karen Hager of LeMars, Iowa; Marlene (Mike) Gengler of LeMars, Iowa; Vicki (Jeff) Lamp of LeMars, Iowa; grandchildren: Alex, Tanner, Mari Simmons of Hudson, Wisconsin; Cade, Carter, Makenly Weiland of Storm Lake, Iowa; Ben and Maddy Jo Raveling of Storm Lake, Iowa; Brayden and Aspen Mullally of Hudson, Wisconsin; extended family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Mike and Marie Mullally; parents-in-law: Ben and Loretta Gotto; brother: Mike Jr (Judy) Mullally; Ronnie Mullally; Peter Mullally; sister: Laura Klave; brothers-in-law: Joe Geary; Buzz Gotto; sisters-in-law: Linda Hemmelrick; Donna Hoffman; grandson: Conner Weiland; his nephew: Billy Bunjes; and niece: Mariah Davis.

# Cemetery Details

## Elk Township Cemetery -- Alta

Alta, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 2. 4:00 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>

## Prayer Vigil

FEB 2. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

FEB 3. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry T. Mullally*



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - February 02, 2023 at 02:11 PM

LP

“ *sorry to hear about your loss*

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**LOREN PAGELER** - February 20, 2023 at 06:09 PM

RH

“ *I have great memories of Larry, Jo and the family from my childhood. Larry was a coworker of my Dad's and we enjoyed many company family picnics together. When you moved on to own the Pantry, Dad delivered to you and we would enjoy meals there. My deepest sympathies to the whole family. Robbi Sievert Hansen daughter of Bob and Fonda Sievert*

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**Robbi Hansen** - February 08, 2023 at 11:06 AM

SM

“ *Steph&Sharon Mickelson lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally*



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**Steph&Sharon Mickelson** - February 07, 2023 at 05:26 PM

PF

“ Peggy Flynn lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally



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**Peggy Flynn** - February 06, 2023 at 03:29 PM

SJ

“ I worked at the Pantry Cafe and Larry was always great to be around and was always willing to offer advice. He will be missed.. prayers to JoEllen and the family Sandi & Lorry Jepp

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**Sandi Jepp** - February 05, 2023 at 05:48 PM

JH

“ When Larry and Jo bought the Golden Pheasant, I was visiting with him and I mentioned that the Pheasant sponsored our fast pitch softball team. We decided that I donate the uniform back to the Pheasant he would build a glass case and show it off, I agreed!! We were considered the best looking team in NW Ia. The old Houston Astros colors, Red, orange, yellow colors with black lettering and numbers. Before Larry got the case finished the shirt disappeared from the coat room. Anybody seeing that shirt with 17 on it give it back to the Pheasant in memory of Larry and I will finish the project!!!! Rest in Peace to one of the BEST COOKS IN IOWA!!!!!!

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**Joe Harpenau** - February 03, 2023 at 09:56 AM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 02, 2023 at 07:36 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 02, 2023 at 01:52 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 02, 2023 at 11:39 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 02, 2023 at 10:46 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 02, 2023 at 09:27 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 02, 2023 at 08:42 AM



“ *Tricia, Scott, Lucas, Olivia* purchased the *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



**Tricia, Scott, Lucas, Olivia** - February 02, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 01, 2023 at 08:29 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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February 01, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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February 01, 2023 at 05:39 PM



“ *Larry Sue Zwemke lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally*



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**Larry and Sue Zwemke** - February 01, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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February 01, 2023 at 03:13 PM

JM

“ Jennifer Martisek purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



Jennifer Martisek - February 01, 2023 at 02:38 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 01, 2023 at 01:03 PM

LH

“ Dear Melea and Mullally Family-Please know that I have only the best memories of you all from my days of teaching band at St. Mary's. There was never a dull moment, especially with you and Stacy. This is a remarkable obituary and reflects a life well-lived and well-loved. I will be keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Laura Hahn Hanna - February 01, 2023 at 12:29 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



February 01, 2023 at 10:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



January 31, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



January 31, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



January 31, 2023 at 09:04 PM



“ *Mark/Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally*



**Mark/Chris Young** - January 31, 2023 at 08:30 PM



“ *"Heaven" Large Light Box was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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January 31, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ *Joan Whitney lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally*



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**Joan Whitney** - January 31, 2023 at 06:22 PM



“ *From your dance friends purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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**From your dance friends** - January 31, 2023 at 06:03 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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January 31, 2023 at 05:05 PM

NM

“ So sorry to hear of Larry's passing. He was a good boss & a great man. Hugs & prayers to Jo Ellen and his entire family.



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**Nancy (Neuroth) Miller** - January 31, 2023 at 02:36 PM

MW

“ Your family has lost a legend! Larry is bigger than life and he embraced with love, his family and friends until the end! I will always cherish the “Pantry” days and I know my grandpa will be so happy to see Larry again!!! Rest peacefully Larry! You will never be forgotten!! Love you all!!! The Barkers, Mikie, Whitney, Brandon and Joan Whitney

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**Michaelene Barker Warnock** - January 31, 2023 at 02:22 PM

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“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF LARRY MULLALLY. OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS GO OUT TO JO & ALL THE FAMILY. MAY LARRY RIP.



JOY, PEACE & LOVE, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE & ALL OUR FAMILY.

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**PATTY GUNVILLE** - January 31, 2023 at 02:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



January 31, 2023 at 02:11 PM



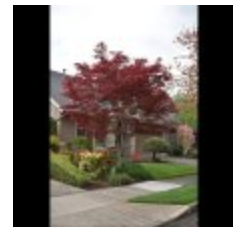
“ Solar Angel Statue to Send as Unique Sympathy Gift Remembrance was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



January 31, 2023 at 12:34 PM



“ Love, Your Big Lake Family purchased the Red Leaf Japanese Maple for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



Love, Your Big Lake Family - January 31, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ Love and Prayers from your Big Lake Fam purchased the Garden Accent - A heart of gold stopped beating... for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



Love and Prayers from your Big Lake Fam - January 31, 2023 at 11:56 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



January 31, 2023 at 11:44 AM



“ Peg Anderson lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally



Peg Anderson - January 31, 2023 at 10:32 AM



“ Barb, Bobbi, Bev, Mary and Families purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



Barb, Bobbi, Bev, Mary and Families - January 31, 2023 at 10:04 AM



“ Karmen Hodgdon purchased the Spirit - Memoria I Globe Candle Holder for the family of Larry T. Mullally.



Karmen Hodgdon - January 31, 2023 at 09:19 AM

KH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!!*



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**Karmen Hodgdon** - January 31, 2023 at 09:16 AM

MB

“ *To JoEllen and Larry's survivors...I am so sorry for your loss.*



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**Mary Betsworth** - January 30, 2023 at 09:19 PM

CR

“ *connie roche lit a candle in memory of Larry Mullally*



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**connie roche** - January 30, 2023 at 08:34 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry T. Mullally.*



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January 30, 2023 at 07:27 PM

HJ

“ *Larry was a great man he always greeted everyone with a smile  
Larry will be very missed he one in million fly high uncle .. sending  
love and prayers to Joellen and family*

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**Holly Jimenez** - January 30, 2023 at 06:55 PM