



## Marlon Gasner

January 17, 1972 - May 13, 2024

Marlon Lyle Gasner, known as "Bud" by his loved ones, was born on January 17, 1972 in Owatonna, Minnesota to Darold and Clarice (Karnes) Gasner. He lived a life filled with unselfish love of others, laughter, and cherished memories until his untimely passing on May 13, 2024 at his home in Alta, Iowa.

Funeral services will take place Friday, May 17, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. Visitation will be held Thursday, May 16, 2024 from 4-8:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Marlon Gasner Scholarship Fund. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

From when Marlon was a small child, his loyalty to his family, friends, and work was a God-given talent. Marlon was baptized and confirmed at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Medford, Minnesota. He started working as a paperboy from the fifth grade up to his senior year in high school. In true Marlon fashion, he spent one summer saving up money to buy his sister a new bike. Marlon graduated from Medford High School in 1990. After graduating, he attended the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and in 1994 earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Physical Therapy. While in college, Marlon was involved in the Männerchor Men's Choir. He later attended

Simmons College in Boston, Massachusetts and obtained his Doctorate of Physical Therapy in 2006.

Marlon was united in marriage to Kathy Spinler in 1994, and from this union Grant and Ethan were born. Kathy and Marlon later divorced. On June 5, 2021, Marlon proposed to Lindsay at their favorite getaway in Stillwater, Minnesota. On August 13, 2021, Marlon was diagnosed with a rare form of sarcoma. The couple knew there was no better devotion than to weather the storm together. Lindsay and Marlon were united in marriage on September 24, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Storm Lake, Iowa. With this union, Marlon was blessed to gain two bonus boys, Tate and Cale Brechwald.

Marlon found immense joy in spending quality time with his family and loved ones. Whether it was boating on a calm lake, embarking on adventurous travels, hitting the slopes skiing, or appreciating the beauty of nature through impromptu road trips after work with Lindsay on a Friday night, Marlon knew how to embrace life's simple treasures.

Marlon's dedication to his loved ones, patients, and friends was unwavering. He was a selfless individual, always ready to lend a helping hand through his healing talents as a Physical Therapist and would support those in need with everything he had. Marlon had a protective nature and a genuine heart that touched the lives of those around him.

Marlon passed peacefully in his home surrounded by his loving family. He truly fought a hard fight after his cancer diagnosis and was considered an "outlier" by many of the physicians and nurses at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Through a plethora of painful set backs, Marlon was always so humble and stoic. He would continue to put the needs of all others ahead of his own to provide and protect to the best of his abilities, even up to his last

days. The kindness, patience, and appreciation he expressed to his loved ones and professionals during those extremely tough years were one of the reasons he was considered a "favorite" by all those who cared for him, especially at Mayo. He was known throughout the Mayo system due to the complexity of his disease. Many visits were told to be an internal fight as to who would get to be the one to have Marlon as their patient.

Marlon's legacy will be remembered and carried on by the love of his life, Lindsay of Alta, Iowa; sons, Grant Gasner of West Des Moines, Ethan Gasner of Ames, Tate and Cale Brechwald of Alta; brother, Frank (Vickie) Gasner of Kasson, Minnesota; sister, Becky (Steve) Wardyn of Faribault, Minnesota; mother-in-law, Valerie Walsh of Storm Lake; sisters-in-law, Angi (Jason) Meyer of Alta and Shannon (Jesse) Howie of Johnston; and a host of aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, cousins, friends, and all who had the pleasure of crossing paths with him.

Marlon is preceded in death and welcomed home by his parents, Darold and Clarice Gasner; stillborn daughter: Lauren Gasner; brother, Dan Gasner; father-in-law, Larry Walsh; brother-in-law, Jason Walsh; and sister-in-law, Sheryl Gasner.

May his spirit live on through the memories shared, the lives he touched, and the love he brought into the world. He will be missed dearly.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 16. 4:00 PM - 8:00 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>

## Funeral Service

MAY 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mark's Lutheran Church -- Storm Lake  
1614 West 5th Street  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
<http://www.stmarkstormlake.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marlon Gasner*



**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - May 16, 2024 at 06:48 PM

JF

“ *You live on now in the arms of Jesus Marlon. But you will live forever here on earth thru all the lives you touched. Love and prayers to you Lindsay and the whole family.*

**Jackie Fitch** - May 17, 2024 at 10:32 AM

KT

“ *Kim Triggs lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner*



**Kim Triggs** - May 16, 2024 at 11:27 PM

DS

“ *Donna Stanton lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner*



**Donna Stanton** - May 16, 2024 at 06:20 PM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - May 16, 2024 at 04:25 PM

SM

“ Marlon was a great person very kind and a great therapist.

Sheila Mills - May 16, 2024 at 12:52 PM

SM

“ Sheila Mills lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



Sheila Mills - May 16, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Marlon Gasner.



May 16, 2024 at 07:35 AM

SH

“ *Sandy Hoyt lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner*



Sandy Hoyt - May 15, 2024 at 10:08 PM

NK

“ *Nate, Marcy, Jace, Clair, Jeremiah, Kate, Tonya, Brady, and kids purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Marlon Gasner.*



Nate, Marcy, Jace, Clair, Jeremiah, Kate, Tonya, Brady, and kids - May 15, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Marlon Gasner.*



May 15, 2024 at 04:53 PM



“ *Garden Accent - A heart of gold stopped beatin g... was purchased for the family of Marlon Gasner.*



May 15, 2024 at 02:31 PM

YF

“ Your SPP family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marlon Gasner.

Your SPP family - May 15, 2024 at 02:31 PM

DM

“ Marlon was a great guy, friend and an awesome therapist. He will be missed but he battled the cancer as long as he could. God be with you and your family. Diann and Jerry Meendering

Diann & Jerry Meendering - May 15, 2024 at 11:58 AM



“ Jo Habben lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



Jo Habben - May 15, 2024 at 11:28 AM

DP

“ I am so sad to read this tearful news about Marlon. You have my deepest sympathy. Marlon was such a super guy! Really, I got to know him while doing many therapy treatments on my elbows, then again my shoulder. He was so much fun, that I actually looked forward to my appointments. He was so personable, that I felt comfortable sharing many stories with him. Marlon , I felt was a friend, and I know he will be missed dearly. My thoughts and prayers go out to you Lindsay, and to your family.



Donna Pittman - May 15, 2024 at 09:38 AM

LA

*I am so sorry to hear about Marlon. He was the best therapist and immediately knew how to treat my problems. He will be greatly missed and my prayers go out to the families.*

**Lori Arends** - May 15, 2024 at 02:21 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Marlon Gasner.*



May 15, 2024 at 09:22 AM

LM

“ *Lloyd & Lnda Myers lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner*



**Lloyd & Lnda Myers** - May 15, 2024 at 08:52 AM

JS

“ *So sorry to hear of Marlons passing. To Grant and Ethan, our hearts and prayers go out to you during this difficult time. May the good lord cradle you both.*

**Jason Stoltzfus** - May 15, 2024 at 08:41 AM

DL

“ Heaven Gained An Awesome Guy That Helped So Many People While He Was Here . Many Prayer’s , Much ❤️ & Angel Hugs To Linsey , Grant ,Brother & Family . 🙏❤️



Dave & Patti Lange - May 15, 2024 at 12:50 AM

RB

“ Marlon was so passionate and understanding.He had a heart of gold and helped out in any way he could.He will be missed .Marlon you were so good to me and I will miss you more



Rose baker - May 14, 2024 at 09:44 PM

SF

“ Spinler Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marlon Gasner.



Spinler Family - May 14, 2024 at 08:24 PM

DA

“ Dean, Jean and Ryan Assmann lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



Dean, Jean and Ryan Assmann - May 14, 2024 at 06:15 PM

MJ

“ So sorry for your loss



Mike and Jean Julius - May 14, 2024 at 05:06 PM

SM

“ So sorry for the loss of Marlon he will be welcomed to his destination with god.



Stephan & Sharon Mickelson - May 14, 2024 at 04:35 PM

DZ

“ Deborah Zerfoss lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



Deborah Zerfoss - May 14, 2024 at 04:06 PM



“ Jen Launderville lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



Jen Launderville - May 14, 2024 at 04:00 PM

DS

“ God doesn't make many men like Marlon. He will be missed by all who knew him, his infectious laugh and positive spirit. Heaven got a good one. Prayers to the Family.



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**Dan and Barb Soellner** - May 14, 2024 at 03:14 PM

RC

“ Rosie Cooley lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



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**Rosie Cooley** - May 14, 2024 at 02:39 PM

BJ

“ I'm so sorry for your lose thinking of you all

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**Becky Johnson** - May 14, 2024 at 01:59 PM

SB

“ Scott Bodholdt lit a candle in memory of Marlon Gasner



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**Scott Bodholdt** - May 14, 2024 at 12:04 PM