



Neil E. Patten

January 11, 1933 - August 23, 2019

Neil Edward Patten, age 86, of Alta, Iowa died August 23, 2019 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community Center in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will take place Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Alta. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Alta. Visitation will take place Monday, August 26, 2019 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in ALTA with a Masonic prayer service at 7:00 p.m. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Alta is in charge of the arrangements.

Neil Edward Patten was born January 11, 1933, in Alta, Iowa, the son of James Allen and Florence (Barnard) Patten.

Growing up, Neil attended a one room schoolhouse and later graduated from Alta High School in 1951.

Following high school graduation, Neil enlisted in the United States Army where he proudly served his country for two years until his honorable discharge.

On August 18, 1957, Neil was united in marriage to Patricia Ann Willfong at the United Methodist Church in Newell, Iowa. Together, they were blessed

with five children: Brenda, Terry, Joleen, Janeen, and Allen.

Neil was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Alta where he held many church offices over his lifetime membership. He was a man of great faith. Neil was also a member of the Alta Masonic Lodge for 65+ years and held numerous offices.

Neil enjoyed golfing and was a member of the Alta Golf and Country Club where he had three holes in one. In his spare time, he enjoyed bowling and playing cards.

Neil loved farming as he was born to be a farmer. On the farm, he raised hogs, cattle, corn and soybeans, and he spent much of his time running his corn shelling business. He taught his family what it meant to be a good neighbor, always helping others before doing his own work. He was proud to receive the Century Farm Award.

Family and friends were important to Neil, and he will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children: Brenda (Steve) Bradley of Sioux City, Iowa; Terry (Steve) Brashears of Storm Lake, Iowa; Allen (Michelle) Patten of Storm Lake, Iowa; grandchildren: Jen (Adam) Preston of Sioux City, Iowa; Justin Bradley of Sioux City, Iowa; Annie Bradley; Trevor (Brittney) Bradley of Sioux City, Iowa; Taylor Bradley of Sioux City, Iowa; Ali (Austin) Langel of Storm Lake, Iowa; Jared (Melanie) Brashears of Storm Lake, Iowa; Zachary Brashears of Ames, Iowa; Tyler (Kari) Patten of Webster City, Iowa; Brandon Patten of Cedar Falls, Iowa; Halle Patten of Storm Lake, Iowa; great grandchildren: Kade and Kole Preston; Cameron and Cruz Bradley; Raelee and Rayden Bradley; Henry Langel; and Clayton Patten; brother, Doug Patten of Omaha, Nebraska; sister: Ruth Hoferman of Storm

Lake, Iowa; sister-in-law, Darlene Patten of Cherokee, Iowa; extended family and many friends.

Neil was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia Patten; twin daughters, Joleen and Janeen; parents, James Allen and Florence Patten; brothers: Kenny Patten and Tom Patten; brother-in-law, Clinton Hoferman; sisters-in-law: Joyce Patten and Gin Patten.

Memorials can be directed to the Alta First Presbyterian Church or the Alta Masonic Lodge.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn

Alta, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 26. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

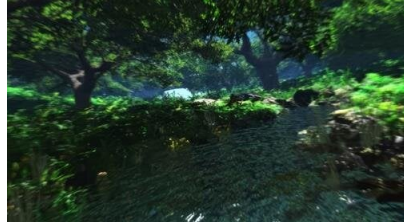
AUG 27. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church Alta
317 S. Main
Alta, IA 51002

Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Neil E. Patten*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - August 26, 2019 at 03:06 PM

DL

“ *Neil was a Friend To All That Knew Him & Will Be Missed So Much But Is Once Again Reunited With The ❤️ Of His Life . So Thankful To Have The Opportunity To Visit With Him So Much At The Manor And Always Wanted Everyone To Sign His Book ! Keeping You All In Our Prayers , Much ❤️ & Angel Hugs ! 🙏❤️*



Dave & Patti Lange - August 27, 2019 at 05:29 PM

SB

“ *I remember the holidays spent at the farm. The morning grandpa and I would eat breakfast of jelly toast and cereal and he made sure I gave the kittens my left over milk. He was always so sweet to me!!! Miss him and love him always!*



Suzanne Woolsey (annie bradley) - August 27, 2019 at 12:51 AM

KI

“ *Kim lit a candle in memory of Neil E. Patten*



Kim - August 26, 2019 at 07:59 PM

RB

“ *Rick & Yumi Bibler lit a candle in memory of Neil E. Patten*



Rick & Yumi Bibler - August 26, 2019 at 03:24 PM



“ *84 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - August 26, 2019 at 02:53 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes - August 26, 2019 at 11:48 AM

KH

“ Our prayers are with you all... we will miss Neil so much in therapy room at Methodist Manor every morning!! Neil waved at us every morning with that cute smile as he walked in with Terry. Hugs to all of Neil's family and know that he was a special guy to us "Therapy Girls"❤️

Karmen Hodgdon - August 24, 2019 at 11:53 AM

TW

“ The Family of Ruth Wogahn purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Neil E. Patten.



The Family of Ruth Wogahn - August 24, 2019 at 08:28 AM