



Ralph E. Reiling

August 3, 1933 - January 8, 2017

Ralph E. Reiling, age 83, of Rembrandt, Iowa died Sunday, January 8, 2017 at Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will be held Friday, January 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Sioux Rapids. Burial will follow in the Lone Tree Cemetery in Sioux Rapids with full military rites by the Sioux Rapids American Legion. Visitation will take place Thursday, January 12, 2017 from 4-6:00 p.m. with a rosary prayed at 6:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Ralph Edward Reiling was born August 3, 1933 in Sioux City, Iowa, the son of WJ and Emma (Reif) Reiling.

Ralph was baptized and confirmed at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Fonda.

He attended school in Fonda before joining the United States Army on March 4, 1952. He served his country during the Korean Conflict and was honorably discharged on March 3, 1954. After his release, he transferred to the Army Reserves for eight years.

On November 28, 1953, Ralph was united in marriage to Carolyn Youngdahl in Fort Riley, Kansas. Together, they were blessed with six children: Steve, Rod, Carol, Debra, Glenda, and Wendy.

Ralph was an active member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Sioux Rapids. He also was a member of the Sioux Rapids American Legion.

Farming was a passion of Ralph's. Alongside the fieldwork, Ralph worked as a delivery driver for ZFI and MY Supply.

Ralph's hobbies included going to the casino, playing cards, watching movies, and traveling by car. A highlight of his later years included a trip on the Honor Flight to Washington D.C. Most of all, Ralph loved spending time with his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children: Rod (Kathy) Reiling of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; Carol (Darwin) Johnson of Arthur, Iowa; Debra (Roy) Swenson of Springfield, Nebraska; Glenda Reiling of Windsor Heights, Iowa; Wendy (Tony) Brown of Pembroke Pines, Florida; daughter-in-law, Judy Reiling of Bennington, Nebraska; grandchildren: Michael Reiling of Bennington, Nebraska; Jessica Reiling of Pooler Georgia; Brad (Michelle) Reiling of Sioux City, Iowa; Todd (Megan) Reiling of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; Tricia Reiling of Denver, Colorado; Ryan Reiling of Bozeman, Montana; Jake (Brittany) Reiling of Justin, Texas; Katie Reiling of Kearney, Nebraska; Josh Reiling of Omaha, Nebraska; Bridget Johnson of La Crosse, Wisconsin; Gus Swenson of Omaha, Nebraska; Leo Swenson of Springfield, Nebraska; Cassondra Brown of Pembroke Pines, Florida; Noah Brown of Pembroke Pines, Florida; Myles Brown of Pembroke Pines, Florida; great grandchildren: Brekken Reiling, Blake Johnson, and Beau Johnson; sister, Mickey (Rick) Dixon of Gibsonville, North Carolina; sisters-in-law, Marlys Youngdahl of Lakeside, Iowa and Gwen Reiling of Fonda, Iowa; extended family and friends.

Ralph was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Carolyn Reiling; son, Steve Reiling; sisters: Ethel Faylor and Lucille McKiernan; and brothers: Albert and Harold Reiling.

Cemetery Details

Lone Tree Cemetery

Sioux Rapids, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 4:00 PM - 6:00 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>

Service

JAN 13. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church -- Sioux Rapids
708 Thomas Street
Sioux Rapids, IA 50585

Interment

JAN 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Lone Tree Cemetery
Sioux Rapids, IA

Tribute Wall



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



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - January 12, 2017 at 01:50 PM

WW

Great tribute! I have a great deal of respect for; and admiration of Ralph and Carolyn Reiling and their family. May God bless the memories.

Wally Woelber - January 15, 2017 at 07:50 PM

BM

“ *My sincere condolences to the Reiling Family. May He RIP. His legacy, along with Carolyn, is the fine family that he leaves behind. Now he can join her once again. May God Bless you all at this difficult time. You have many good memories to treasure. Love, Bonnie Mester*

Bonnie Mester - January 13, 2017 at 07:03 AM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Funeral Home - January 12, 2017 at 01:47 PM

TF

“ *The Reeves Family lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling*



The Reeves Family - January 11, 2017 at 04:56 PM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Ralph E. Reiling.*



January 11, 2017 at 04:31 PM

GH

“ *Gary Mary Heflin lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling*



Gary Mary Heflin - January 11, 2017 at 10:53 AM

JK

“ *Jeff And Lory Krummen lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling*



Jeff and Lory Krummen - January 11, 2017 at 10:37 AM

NM

“ *We have been saying prayers for Ralph and the family and will continue to do so. Welcome to God's kingdom and may your wonderful memories stay in our hearts.*

Tim/Nancy McDonald Family - Ohio



Nancy McDonald - January 11, 2017 at 09:15 AM

PG

“ *A CANDLE WAS LIT FOR RALPH IN HIS MEMORY, PRAYERS & PEACE TO HIM AND HIS FAMILY. I REMEMBER RALPH & MICKEY FROM FONDA DAYS. LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE STORM LAKE, IOWA*



PATTY GUNVILLE - January 11, 2017 at 08:47 AM

HH

“ Heidi Howard lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling



Heidi Howard - January 11, 2017 at 07:45 AM

MD

“ Ralph...We had some fun and funny times together. See you soon Brother-in-law.!!!

Rick Dixon

Mickey Dixon - January 10, 2017 at 10:45 AM

MD

“ My wonderful brother, a great friend, and someone who has a permanent corner of my heart. Forever you will be missed...Mickey

Mickey Dixon - January 10, 2017 at 10:36 AM

JD

“ John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling



John and Connie Demers - January 10, 2017 at 08:44 AM

PH

“ Paul & Eileen Howie lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling



Paul & Eileen Howie - January 10, 2017 at 07:35 AM

KC

“ *Kris Combes lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling*



kris combes - January 09, 2017 at 11:39 PM

KC

Sorry for your loss. Prayers for family.

kris combes - January 09, 2017 at 11:39 PM

JN

I am so sorry for the loss of you father. Something is very different about losing a parent. Ralph was a good man and great uncle. He always made me smile. Your parents marriage was something I always admired. They were so much in love to the very end. They will be reunited again. Jane (mckiernan) Bottomley

jane bottomley, niece - January 10, 2017 at 01:13 PM

DD

“ *David And Mary Dean lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling*



David and Mary Dean - January 09, 2017 at 07:04 PM

CS

“ *Carol Siefken lit a candle in memory of Ralph E. Reiling*



Carol Siefken - January 09, 2017 at 04:42 PM