



Raymond Steffen

April 6, 1940 - November 28, 2018

Raymond Steffen, age 78, of Storm Lake, Iowa and formerly of Albert City, Iowa died Wednesday, November 28, 2018 in Fonda.

Funeral Mass will take place Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Columbkille Catholic Church in Varina, Iowa. Burial will be in the church cemetery with full military rites. Visitation will take place Wednesday, December 5, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. until the time of the service at the church. There will be a rosary at 12:00 p.m. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Raymond Steffen, the son of Mike and Rose (Buel) Steffen, was born on April 6, 1940 in Carroll, Iowa. In his youth, Raymond was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic faith.

Raymond started at rural, one room school house in Sac County and then attended grade school and high school in Varina, where he graduated from St. Columbkille in 1958. After high school, he farmed and drove the U.S. Postal truck to Des Moines.

In June of 1963, Raymond enlisted into the United States Army where he faithfully served his country until April of 1965 when he was honorably discharged.

On September 28, 1963, Raymond was united in marriage to Judy Ruth Erickson at St. Columbkille Catholic Church in Varina. The couple was blessed with 6 children: Michelle, Regene, Michael, Jonathon, Jana, and Stephanie.

Raymond was very active in his community through volunteering in the Dover Township Varina Fire Department, coaching and umping little league baseball, and helped with church fish fry. He was a member of Knights of Columbus in Fonda and in the American Legion in Varina where he held post and county offices. Above all, Raymond loved to spend 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: Michelle (Robbie) Abbenhaus of Terril, Iowa; Regene Steffen of Storm Lake, Iowa; Michael (Trisha) Steffen of Charter Oak, Iowa; Jonathon (Jill) Steffen of Early, Iowa; Jana Lane of Sheldon, Iowa; Stephanie Steffen of Fonda, Iowa; sister, Inez Berns of Fort Atkinson, Iowa; grandchildren: Amber Abbenhaus-Cagle of Spencer, Iowa; Jarad Abbenhaus (special friend, Miranda Baudler) of Terril, Iowa; RyAnne and Izabelle Steffen of Early, Iowa; great-grandchildren, Justius Flannigan and Colton Cagle of Spencer, Iowa; and his father and mother-in-law, Carl (Swede) and Ardie Erickson.

Raymond was preceded in death by his parents, Mike and Rose Steffen; wife, Judy Steffen; mother-in-law, Ruth Erickson; brothers-in-law, David Erickson and James Berns; and son-in-law, Tracy Lane.

Cemetery Details

St. Columbkille Catholic Cemetery

Previous Events

Rosary

DEC 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Columbkille Catholic Church
First Street
Varina, IA 50593
<http://home.catholicweb.com/stcolumbkille/>

Visitation

DEC 5. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

DEC 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ We are sorry to hear of Raymond's passing. Nice man. Knew him growing up in Varina. Prayers to all of the family. Jack and Norma Fitzgerald

Norma Fitzgerald - December 12, 2018 at 10:17 AM



“ Leta Wood lit a candle in memory of Raymond Steffen



Leta Wood - December 05, 2018 at 04:49 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - December 05, 2018 at 08:28 AM



“ I'm so sorry for the lost of dad he will be missed your in my prayers

Nancy Lane - December 04, 2018 at 03:25 PM

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“ Alice Tauber lit a candle in memory of Raymond Steffen



Alice Tauber - December 03, 2018 at 12:05 PM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Raymond Steffen.



December 03, 2018 at 10:52 AM

Leigh
Schultz

“ Leigh Schultz lit a candle in memory of Raymond Steffen



Leigh Schultz - December 01, 2018 at 05:46 AM

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“ My sympathy to the family. I have fond memories of Ray when he would let Rob and I go hunting or just hanging out at the farm drinking beer and telling jokes, He always had a great sense of humor and a great laugh. Plus, he had a lot of wisdom to share with us younger ones. You could always count on Ray he would always help anyone, What a friendly guy! He always enjoyed talking with us and was always happy! He is truly a child of God!

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Kevin

Kevin Neuroth - November 30, 2018 at 08:27 PM

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Kevin N.



Kevin Neuroth - November 30, 2018 at 07:20 PM

RS

“ Prayers to Ray's family on his call Home.
God's Peace and blessings.



Randy and Marilyn Schmitt - November 30, 2018 at 05:41 PM

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“ Mary Farrell lit a candle in memory of
Raymond Steffen



Mary Farrell - November 30, 2018 at 11:12 AM