



## Richard Merle Sennert

April 23, 1924 - December 26, 2015

Richard M. Sennert, age 91, of Storm Lake, Iowa, died Saturday, December 26, 2015 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Alta. Burial will follow in Barnes Township Cemetery in Linn Grove. Visitation will take place Monday, December 28, 2015 from 5-8:00 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.

Richard Merle Sennert was born April 23, 1924 on the family farm near Albert City, Iowa, the son of Nicholas Ernest and Elda Lucena (Hoelscher) Sennert.

On June 14, 1931, Richard was baptized at the Methodist Church in Rembrandt, Iowa. He attended school at Lincoln-Lee Consolidated School, where he later graduated in 1942.

In 1944, Richard joined the United States Navy. He proudly served his country during World War II. He was honorably discharged in 1946. After his service, he came home to farm.

On June 4, 1950, Richard was united in marriage to Marilene Jesse at St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. Together they were blessed with three

children: twins, Randal and Ronald in 1951, and David born in 1953.

Richard was currently a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Alta. He was a former Elder for Immanuel Lutheran Church in Cherokee and St. Paul Lutheran Church in Alta, President of Linn Grove Farmers Coop Elevator Board, and board member of Boone Valley Processors of Eagle Grove.

Richard was an eternal optimist. He enjoyed his "coffee shop", bowling, playing poker, dancing, reading books and watching Western movies. Most of all, Richard enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, and tried to live life everyday according to God's word.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children: Randal (Donna) Sennert of Storm Lake, Iowa; Ronald (Barbara) Sennert of Linn Grove, Iowa; David (Rita) Sennert of Pocahontas, Iowa; grandchildren: John Sennert of Omaha, Nebraska; Nick (Mary) Sennert of Waterloo, Iowa; Karen (Matt) Higgins of Andover, Minnesota; Amy (Randall) Kaufmann of Lenexa, Kansas; Christina Sennert of Waterloo, Iowa; Kate Sennert of Roland, Iowa; great grandchildren: Thomas and Taylor Higgins, Cade and Nash Kaufmann, Luke Sennert; sisters-in-law: Maude Mae Sennert of Storm Lake, Iowa; Sheila Jesse of Storm Lake, Iowa; extended family and friends.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Marilene "Jane"; sister, Wilma (John) Ackerman; brothers: Lester (Delores) Sennert; Carl Sennert; Neal (Phyllis) Sennert.

# Cemetery Details

## Barnes Township Cemetery

Linn Grove, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 28. 5:00 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>

## Service

DEC 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church -- Alta  
405 Division Street  
Alta, IA 51002

## Interment

DEC 29 (CT)

Barnes Township Cemetery  
Linn Grove, IA



# Tribute Wall



“ I took Rich for show and tell in either kindergarten or nursery school

Julie Honea - January 02, 2016 at 10:37 AM



“ Sally Rassler lit a candle in memory of Richard Merle Sennert



Sally Rassler - December 29, 2015 at 08:13 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Funeral Home - December 28, 2015 at 04:35 PM



“ Craig Jones lit a candle in memory of Richard Merle Sennert



Craig Jones - December 28, 2015 at 01:28 PM

EF

“ Our deepest condolences to the Sennert family, Randy and Donna, Ron and Barb, Dave and Rita....along with the rest of your family. Your parents were such a kind couple. I remember them being a large part of my youth growing up in Linn Grove. All of you would frequent my parent's Coffee Shop in Linn Grove, it seems like a lifetime ago, but the memory is so fresh, like it was yesterday. I am so thankful for knowing good people like the Sennert family growing up. Our thoughts and prayers are with you! God Bless. Erica Jacobson French



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**Erica French** - December 28, 2015 at 12:10 PM

JD

“ John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Richard Merle Sennert



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**John and Connie Demers** - December 28, 2015 at 08:24 AM

JK

“ Jeff & Lory Krummen lit a candle in memory of Richard Merle Sennert



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**Jeff & Lory Krummen** - December 28, 2015 at 06:19 AM

WS

“ *First impressions are lasting ones. Several years back i traveled through Beuna Vista County to introduce my new wife to family and the area i grew up. There were many stops to make and we needed to get them in done in one day. I called ahead to get directions to the farm where Uncle Rich and Aunt Jane lived and spent an hour reminsiing and visiting and had a wonderful time. To this day my wife reminds me that Rich and Jane were among the most pleasant and loving couple she has ever met.*

*William D.& Mary Sennert*

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**William D Sennert** - December 27, 2015 at 06:24 PM

LP

“ *Love, Jay and Rachel Pernell purchased the Red Rose Fireside Basket for the family of Richard Merle Sennert.*



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**Love, Jay and Rachel Pernell** - December 27, 2015 at 12:43 PM

JP

“ *Jay Pernell lit a candle in memory of Richard Merle Sennert*



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**Jay Pernell** - December 27, 2015 at 11:46 AM

RP

“ *Rachel Pernell lit a candle in memory of  
Richard Merle Sennert*



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**Rachel Pernell** - December 27, 2015 at 11:44 AM