



## Rodney Plagman

December 11, 1947 - February 5, 2026

Rodney "Rod" Plagman, age 78, of Storm Lake, Iowa died February 5, 2026 at his residence in Storm Lake.

Memorial Services will take place Friday, February 13, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake. Visitation will be held from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. prior to the service at the CHURCH. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Lakeside Presbyterian Church at 110 E. 3rd St. Storm Lake, Iowa 50588 or they may be directed to the family. To watch a livestream of the service, use the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/live/BATr4sE9DH0?si=ecZUoWmTiPE-KxXW>. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Rod was born December 11, 1947 to Charles and Mary Alice (Raveling) Plagman in Cherokee, Iowa. He graduated in 1966 from Sioux Valley School in Linn Grove, Iowa. Rod went on to attend Iowa State University, graduating with an Ag Business degree in 1970. He served in the Army National Guard from 1968 until 1975 as an officer in the Webster City unit.

On August 24, 1974, Rod was united in marriage to Charlene Suntken in Belmond, Iowa. They were blessed with two sons: Jeremy and Jason. In 1998, the family moved from their acreage in Schaller to Storm Lake, Iowa. Together, Rod and Charlene built a life rooted in faith, family, community, and

hard work.

Rod worked in banking, farm management and real estate appraising until his retirement in 2012. Rod was a devoted member of Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake where he served as an elder. He was also a member of the Serpaci Car Club where he served as president and treasurer. Rod enjoyed volunteering his delivery services for Meals on Wheels and Friends with Food. He made a positive impact on the lives of many young men and women while volunteering as a 4-H leader in Sac County.

In his free time, Rod enjoyed tending to his garden and going fishing. He made many memories while traveling to all 50 states, Europe and Mexico. Rod's servant heart led him to serve on mission trips to Guatemala and New Orleans. In the summer months, you could find Rod attending his grandchildren's soccer games and driving his pontoon around Storm Lake. He found joy in woodworking and exploring bike trails with friends. More than anything, Rod treasured time with his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Left to cherish Rod's memory include his beloved wife, Charlene Plagman of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Jeremy (Erica) Plagman and sons, Cooper and Bryce of Lee's Summit, Missouri; Jason (Megan) Plagman and son, Miles of Brentwood, Tennessee; brother: Randy (Nancy) Plagman of Sheldon, Iowa; sisters: Annetta (Charlie) Coleman of Suches, Georgia; MaryBeth Rozmus of Riverside, Iowa; many siblings-in-law, nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Welcoming him into heaven are his parents, Charles and Mary Alice Plagman; sister: Claudia Perkins; brother-in-law: Dick Perkins; and parents-in-law: Fred and Lorene Suntken.

Rod's legacy of love, laughter, and dedication to family and community will live on in all who knew him.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 13. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (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>

## Memorial Service

FEB 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

Lakeside Presbyterian Church - Storm Lake  
110 E. 3rd St.  
Storm Lake, IA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rodney Plagman*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 11 at 03:44 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - February 12 at 01:53 PM



“ *Char, you and your family have our deepest sympathy at Rod's passing.  
David and Donna Stanton*



Donna Stanton - February 12 at 01:07 PM

GM

“ We have known Rod and Charlene for a long time, and we have always enjoyed our visits together a lot! I am afraid I may have corrupted Rod a bit, when I showed him how to bring his own little airplane bottle of liquor to supper to create his own mixed drink! We thought that we were pretty sneaky!!! We have always been impressed by Rod's positive attitude through some very challenging times. We are sure going to miss him, and our hearts go out to his entire family through this difficult time.

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**Greg Mattson** - February 12 at 12:58 PM



“ 151 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - February 11 at 03:39 PM

PE

“ We traveled on several bus trips with Rod & Charlene. We always enjoyed spending time with them and hearing about their fun life and activities they did with their sons and families!  
Rod loved people and was so positive.  
Charlene & Rod called us and we met them in Lincoln, NE for a social time with their car group.  
Prayers and hugs from Peg & Ken Rezac

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**Peggy** - February 11 at 10:38 AM

DM

“ Darla, Josh, Lisa, JD and Drew Miller purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rodney Plagman.



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**Darla, Josh, Lisa, JD and Drew Miller** - February 11 at 09:18 AM

DM

“ Darla, Josh, Lisa, JD and Drew Miller planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rodney Plagman.

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**Darla, Josh, Lisa, JD and Drew Miller** - February 11 at 09:18 AM

WH

“ Our deepest sympathy to you and your family.  
wilhelm harder deacon



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**Wilhelm harder** - February 10 at 11:34 PM

DM

“ I worked with Char in New York for several years in the '80s and met Rod. He occasionally came to various office dinners, parties, etc the office indulged in. He has always been a humble, friendly, funny guy and I enjoyed any encounters we had. Since I moved away, I meet up with Char and other colleagues, and occasionally Rod came as well. He fit in very well with any group he became a part of. He will be missed very much by Char, his family and anyone who knew him.

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**Diana Myers** - February 10 at 10:25 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Rodney Plagman.



February 10 at 01:37 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rodney Plagman.



February 10 at 11:12 AM



“ OraSure Finance family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rodney Plagman.

**OraSure Finance family** - February 10 at 11:12 AM



“ rae and mike thompson lit a candle in memory of Rodney Plagman



**rae and mike thompson** - February 09 at 01:49 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss Charlene and family.

**Mary Drey** - February 08 at 01:56 PM

RW

“ *Ron & Anita Worth purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Rodney Plagman.*



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**Ron & Anita Worth** - February 07 at 04:42 PM

PF

“ *Peg Flynn lit a candle in memory of Rodney Plagman*



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**Peg Flynn** - February 06 at 06:26 PM

WH

“ *Will Harder lit a candle in memory of Rodney Plagman*



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**Will Harder** - February 06 at 04:21 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rodney Plagman.*



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February 06 at 11:48 AM

SM

“ *Steph/Sharon Mickelson lit a candle in memory of Rodney Plagman*



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**Steph/Sharon Mickelson** - February 06 at 08:32 AM

JW

“ *Rod was a funny guy. He always had a smile on his face.i will miss seeing him at the senior center rip my freind jeff Watson*

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**Jeff J Watson** - February 05 at 07:55 PM