



## Sandra "Sandy" Rix

June 21, 1940 - June 6, 2026

Sandra "Sandy" Rix, age 85, of Newell, Iowa died Saturday, June 6, 2026 at the Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at the Nain Lutheran Church in Newell. Burial will be in the Cedar Cemetery in Fonda. Visitation will take place Tuesday, June 9, 2026 from 5-7:00 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.

Sandra Lea "Sandy" Larsen was born June 21, 1940 in Buena Vista County, Iowa, the daughter of Harry C. and Ella E. (Degner) Larsen.

As an infant, she was baptized on July 14, 1940 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Newell, and later confirmed on April 11, 1954.

Sandy attended grade school in Varina. She graduated from Albert City High School in 1958.

On December 19, 1959, Sandy was united in marriage to Donald Rix at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Newell. Together, they were blessed with five children: Linda, Rodney, Brian, Larry, and Chris.

The couple worked together on the farm. In 1990, they moved to Fonda. After

the death of her husband she started working as a cook for the Newell-Fonda School and the Senior Center in Fonda.

She was active in the community as a member of the Fonda library board, church council, and the city council. Sandy enjoyed playing in card club and was very involved in women's Bible study. In 2015, Sandy moved to Newell.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Linda (Jim) Riemsersma of Sheldon, Iowa; Rodney Rix of Des Moines, Iowa; Brian (Beth) Rix of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; Larry (Donna) Rix of Lake View, Iowa; Chris (Bill) Zeigler of Prior Lake, Minnesota; grandchildren: Amanda and Sandra; Jessica (Mike); Scott, Eric, and Laura; Larry and Mark; Zach and Cody; great grandchildren, Bradley, Steven, Conner, Jameson and Raelynn; extended family and friends.

Sandy was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Don; sisters: Janice Johnson, Bonnie Cochran, and Karen Taylor; brothers-in-law: Dan Cochran; Delbert Johnson; Randy Taylor.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Cemetery -- Fonda

513 E 2nd St  
Fonda, IA 50540

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **9**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 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>

## Funeral Service

JUN **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Nain Lutheran Church -- Newell iowa  
441 W Jensen St  
Newell, IA 50568

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Rix*



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - June 08 at 02:09 PM

SW

“ *Suana Wessendorf lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Rix*



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**Suana Wessendorf** - June 10 at 04:40 PM

LC

“ *Levi and Cody purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.*



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**Levi and Cody** - June 09 at 06:44 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.*



June 09 at 12:40 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - June 09 at 12:31 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.*



June 09 at 10:52 AM

DB

“ Brian,

*I remember your mom and dad from Fonda High School sporting events. Your mother was so very nice. Keeping you and your family in my prayers.*

*Debora Blume  
West Des Moines*

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**Debora Blume** - June 09 at 01:58 AM

DW

“ *Debora Blume & Eric Woolson purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.*



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**Debora Blume & Eric Woolson** - June 09 at 01:44 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.*



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June 08 at 07:19 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.*

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June 08 at 07:19 PM



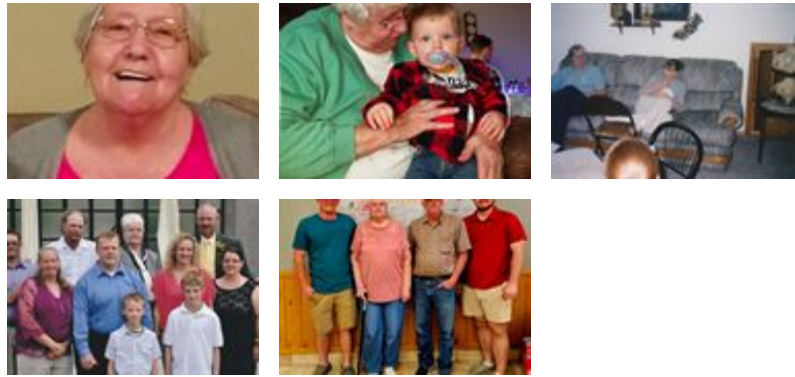
“ Makayla Nims purchased the Angel's Embrace Bouquet for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.



Makayla Nims - June 08 at 05:06 PM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



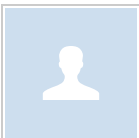
Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - June 08 at 02:05 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.



June 08 at 01:40 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.

June 08 at 01:40 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.



June 08 at 12:27 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.

June 08 at 12:27 PM



“ Pam, Amy and Austin purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.



**Pam, Amy and Austin** - June 07 at 05:30 PM



“ Pam, Amy and Austin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.

**Pam, Amy and Austin** - June 07 at 05:30 PM

RN

“ Randy, Brenda, Dylan and Amber Nehman purchased the Sweet Liberty for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.



Randy, Brenda, Dylan and Amber Nehman - June 07 at 03:53 PM

DP

“ Dorie Pedersen lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Rix



Dorie Pedersen - June 07 at 01:56 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Sandra "Sandy" Rix.



June 07 at 01:12 PM

BW

“ bobbie wise lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Rix



bobbie wise - June 07 at 11:40 AM

RS

“ Our prayers to Sandy’s family. So appreciated her visits to Marilyn’s mom. We also enjoyed memorable trips to Fort Dodge to visit our former neighbor. We enjoyed our after visit trips to Village Inn for pie and coffee. That continued at our gallery in Fonda. Sandy shared so much of herself in many ways. May God hold this special lady in His Care. God’s Peace.

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**Randy and Marilyn Schmitt** - June 07 at 09:55 AM

KL

“ Kim Larsen lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Rix



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**Kim Larsen** - June 06 at 10:44 PM