



Timothy Bertram

July 5, 1940 - November 25, 2021

Timothy Arn Bertram, age 81, of Lakeside, Iowa passed away on November 25, 2021.

Funeral services will take place Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at Grace Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will take place Wednesday, December 1, 2021 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.

Tim was born in Creston, Iowa on July 5, 1940, to Rev. Arnold H. Bertram and Thora Elizabeth (Reeck) Bertram. He attended Storm Lake Public Schools until he joined the Navy in 1957. He proudly served our country while stationed on the USS Catamount from 1957 to 1961.

He married the love of his life, Carol Olson, on Aug. 25, 1962, and they were blessed with two daughters, Tara and Kim.

Tim started working for the Iowa State Highway Commission in 1962 as a Soil Analyst and in 1964 transferred to the Iowa Department of Transportation as a Weight Enforcement Officer. He made many friends from his time working, including his colleagues and many truck drivers he met in the line of duty. Tim retired in 2002 after 40 years of service to the state of Iowa.

Tim loved spending time with his family and friends, watching the Iowa Hawkeyes, traveling, fishing, trapping, hunting, listening to country music, playing his air guitar and making up silly little songs. He especially loved when his grandchildren and great grandchildren would come to visit.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Carol, of Lakeside; his brothers, Clayton (Sandy) Bertram of Escondido, CA and Nick (Nyla) Bertram of Spirit Lake, IA; his daughters, Tara Bertram (Jan Gentry) of Shawnee, KS and Kim (Al) Lytle of Aurelia, IA; his grandchildren, Dalton Lytle of Manning, IA and Maclayn (Zach) Baumhover of Auburn, IA; his great grandchildren, Wesley and Wrenley Baumhover; sisters-in-law, Jennie Gamber, Becky (Steve) Hesselman and Sharon Boysen; brothers-in-law, Garry (Joyce) Olson and Rob (Sammie) Olson; nieces, Steph (Tom) Jakubik, Leah (Tom) Werderitsch, Anngila (Jeff) Meek, Jacque Olson, Jennifer (Chad) Jochims and Jill (Mel) Saffran; and nephews, Matthew Bertram (Joselyn Maloney), John (Leilani) Bertram, Dan (Sarah) Olson, Shelby Watt, Nick (Liz) Hesselman, Andrew Hesselman, Christopher Olson and Alex Olson. He also leaves behind his closest, lifelong friends from 7th grade, Dale (Karen) Knights, Ken (Chris) Richardson and his close friend John Eliason, and numerous other family members and friends.

Tim was preceded in death by his parents, several aunts and uncles, including his favorite aunt and uncle, Helen and Kenny Anderson, his in-laws, Harold and Jo Olson and his brother-in-law, Gene Gamber.

We love you forever! Your final end of duty - T250 10-42.

Cemetery Details

Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 1. 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

DEC 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

Grace Lutheran Church
1407 W. 5th St.
Storm Lake, IA 50588
<http://www.gracestormlake.com>

Tribute Wall

RH

“ My brother Bob Harris, a classmate of Tim's and friend from high school days asked me to send his deepest sympathy. Thinking of you Carol and your family.

Roberta Harris

Roberta Harris - December 01, 2021 at 05:47 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Timothy Bertram.



December 01, 2021 at 04:19 PM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes - December 01, 2021 at 12:19 PM

LZ

“ Larry And Sue Zwemke lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram



Larry and Sue Zwemke - December 01, 2021 at 10:45 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Timothy Bertram.*



December 01, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *Ben & Judy Malcom lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram*



Ben & Judy Malcom - December 01, 2021 at 04:27 AM



“ *Lots of fun fond memories of Tim and Loren teasing each other about their jobs Special memories. ❤️*

Julie Fiedler - December 01, 2021 at 12:09 AM



“ *Carol Kim and Tara I feel terrible to hear about Tim's passing he was a very good man and very kind person lakeside has a deepVoid in it now without Tim 😞*

Howard Schultze - November 30, 2021 at 08:25 PM

TF

“ *The Quirin and Pickhinke Families purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Timothy Bertram.*



The Quirin and Pickhinke Families - November 29, 2021 at 06:29 PM



“ *We lived close by in the mid 70's. Two good people. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.*



Sally Rassler - November 29, 2021 at 01:30 PM

MM

“ *Michelle Munoz lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram*



Michelle Munoz - November 29, 2021 at 01:25 PM

KB

“ *Keith And Pat Bjorkgren lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram*



Keith and Pat Bjorkgren - November 29, 2021 at 12:39 PM

CL

“ I was blessed to know Tim and Carol.
Wonderful people and Carol you are in my
thoughts and prayers during this time.



Courtney Lytle

Courtney Lytle - November 29, 2021 at 10:42 AM

KN

“ I spent a lot of my teenage years hanging out at the Bertram house.
Good memories. Good family. ❤️

Kim Nelson - November 28, 2021 at 09:21 PM

NB

“ Nathan Beal lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Bertram



Nathan Beal - November 28, 2021 at 06:38 PM

MP

“ Matt & Jennifer Peters lit a candle in memory
of Timothy Bertram



Matt & Jennifer Peters - November 28, 2021 at 06:30 PM

JE

“ RIP Tim. I'm certain you were met by family and friends when passing along with several classmates!!!! Your impact and positive life will be remembered by those you touched throughout your life!!!! Prayers condolences to family. Jane Shafer Else

Jane Shafer Else - November 28, 2021 at 04:01 PM

JE

“ RIP Tim!!! Gosh I'll bet you were first met by family and loved ones then many of your classmates who had passed before you!!! Your positive loving lifestyle will be remembered by all. Jane Shafer Else



Jane Shafer Else - November 28, 2021 at 03:56 PM

KR

“ Tim and I have been friends for nearly 70 years. We were especially close during our formative high school years sharing many of the great things Storm Lake offered: hunting, fishing, swimming, camping, ice skating and “cruising main” in Dad’s car with our newly minted drivers’ licenses...we loved those drive-in movies at the Corral Drive In (correct name?). Tim and I, along with Dale, Larry and other friends spent many hours together at the local pool hall perfecting our pool games. Tim usually beat me. I was there when Tim married his wonderful wife, Carol. I am sure she is the best thing that ever happened to him.

Tim was a great guy and a great friend. I will miss him! My heartfelt sympathies go out to Carol and all Tim's family.

Ken Richardson--Estero, Florida

Ken E Richardson - November 28, 2021 at 09:44 AM

KA

“ *Kris Allen lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram*



Kris Allen - November 28, 2021 at 01:03 AM

PP

“ *Sending sincerest sympathy and condolences to the family. You are all in my prayers.*



Pamela Raveling Pates - November 27, 2021 at 07:18 PM

JT

“ *I worked with Tim at Dot Enforcement. He was a joy to work with and an inspiration when it came to weight enforcement. Also had a smile and a joke. He will be truly missed by all. Condolences to Carol and the girls*

Jim Smith retired T340 - November 27, 2021 at 07:03 PM

PC

“ *I am sorry to hear of Tim's passing. Lots of good high school memories. I'm sure there are many treasured Bertram family memories to warm your hearts in the days to come.*

*Thinking of you,
Pat Lighter Christmas
SLHS Class of '58*

Pat Christmas - November 27, 2021 at 07:00 PM

JP

“ Jennifer&Matt Peters lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram



Jennifer&Matt peters - November 27, 2021 at 06:11 PM

CS

“ He stopped me 4 headlight out and I had him check out all the lights 4 me and he just smiled and said get it fixed u really couldn't have asked 4 anyone nicer than Tim



charlie “tuna” Schnirring - November 27, 2021 at 05:51 PM

LP

“ I met Tim first when working at the Olympic Flame in Sac City during my teen years. He had a standing order of a cheeseburger, fries and diet Pepsi!
We became reacquainted when I was working at Sac County Motor Vehicle.
Always a gentleman...he will be missed!

Lisa Phillips - November 27, 2021 at 01:56 PM

SM

“ Steph/Sharon Mickelson lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram



Steph/Sharon Mickelson - November 27, 2021 at 12:35 PM

PG

“ WE LIT A CANDLE IN MEMORY OF TIM BERTRAM, OUR OLE NEIGHBOR OF LAKESIDE. WE ARE SADDENED THAT WE NEVER GOT OUT TO VISIT, BUT THOSE THINGS HAPPEN WITH ILLNESS. OUR SAD SYMPATHY TO CAROL, TARA & KIM AND FAMILIES. HE CAN NOW RIP.



PEACE TO ALL, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE
DAVID & TONYA HINNERS & FAMILY, DONNA & CHUCK
RYHERD & FAMILY. DAWN & HERB SIMPSON & FAMILY, DALE
HINNERS & FAMILY, TINA ARCEO & HER MFAMILY.

PATTY GUNVILLE - November 27, 2021 at 12:33 PM

SN

“ Our thoughts are with Tim's family at this time of loss. Your husband and father was a great guy and respected by many including those who were affected by his profession.

One day when Tim was heading home on the Lakeside blacktop, he encountered me and a group of my friends moving a one-stall garage from Lakeside to Storm Lake. I am sure he was heading home from a long day and the last thing he wanted was to have to deal with one more thing, but it was his job so he stopped me (Mac Hornecker & others) and asked to see our permits to move the garage on the public roadway. A big SMILE came over his face when I pulled the official paperwork from my shirt pocket! I think he said something about "making his job a lot easier that late afternoon." Off we went with his blessing.

Great thoughts and memories for a nice guy that did his job!

Steve Neuroth

Steve Neuroth - November 27, 2021 at 12:20 PM

NH

“ Nicki Harrington lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram



Nicki Harrington - November 27, 2021 at 09:48 AM

KS

“ Ken Snd Janet Strouse lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram



Ken snd Janet Strouse - November 27, 2021 at 09:08 AM



Whitney Gibbins

“ Our deepest sympathies are with you. Tyler & Whitney (Bannister) Gibbins & family



Whitney Gibbins - November 26, 2021 at 09:14 PM

MY

“ Mark / Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram



Mark / Chris Young - November 26, 2021 at 07:27 PM

LE

“ I worked around Tim for several years, he was a good man and a terrific Officer for the Iowa DOT Office of Motor Vehicle Enforcement. Tim will truly be missed by all those that had the pleasure of knowing him.

May he Rest In Peace!

Lance Evans

Lance Evans - November 26, 2021 at 06:37 PM

CR

“ *Connie Roche lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram*



connie roche - November 26, 2021 at 04:25 PM

TC

“ *Tim And Pegi Cavanaugh lit a candle in memory of Timothy Bertram*



Tim and Pegi Cavanaugh - November 26, 2021 at 04:11 PM

BR

Taking a phrase from earlier days, "The grim reaper finally caught up with..... Tim". It was a long, hard-fought battle. Go in peace and grace to your maker, old friend and classmate. You did yourself proud.

My condolences to Carol, Kim, and Tara. You gave Tim so much love and care. What a beautiful family.

Bruce Rankin

Bruce Rankin - November 29, 2021 at 11:29 PM