

Randy D. Jensen



Randy David Jensen, of Missouri Valley entered into rest at age 63 after a long hard battle of diabetic complications at Immanuel Hospital on July 19, 2020. He had been residing at Longview Nursing Home over the past year. Randy was born on February 26, 1957 in Council Bluffs, IA to Harlan Milton and Bonnie (Walls) Jensen. He graduated from Missouri Valley High school and lived his entire life in the area. He was married to Christy Chapman in 1978 and had two children in this marriage: Sarah Jo and Jason. Randy was remarried on January 7, 1987 to Susan Purcell of Missouri Valley. In this marriage they were saddened with one pre term stillborn child, Bradley David (1997) yet blessed with three more children, daughter Ashley, and sons Tim and Zachary. Randy was well known for his love of bowling in earlier years. He had so much fun with his bowling colleagues and even traveled some for tournaments. He enjoyed golf. He belonged to one of the men's leagues at the country club. He is well known for strumming a guitar with friends or grabbing a little limelight in the karaoke circles! In his early years, he worked for Safeway. He later became a police officer for the MVPD in 1982 and completed several training courses including hand to hand combat. He loved his job and most people would say that he was fair and well liked. He didn't show partiality as some family members can attest! Randy joined the Harrison County Law Enforcement in December 1995. He served as Deputy Sheriff until August 2011. He continued to serve the community with his work at Crossroads of Western Iowa as a direct support professional when health issues became problematic and he took an early retirement in 2015. He loved serving his community. Randy has always valued his high school friendships. They have been life-long. Many were like brothers. A unique and great group of guys that have been supportive thick and thin along his journey and helped him laugh and smile through difficult times.

Randy is survived by his wife Susan, of Missouri Valley, daughter, Ashley Penix and husband Mark of Papillion Ne, son

Timothy and special friend Ruth Brooks of Omaha, and Zachary of Missouri Valley, Sarah Jo Carrier and husband Rich of Hawthorne, FL, and son Jason of Auburn, Ne and wife Marissa. He is also survived by one sister Judy Pleak and husband Charles of Oakland, Iowa and brother, Larry Jensen and wife Carolyn of Missouri Valley. He also had 7 grandchildren, Colton, Kai, and Bella of Hawthorne FL, and Benjamin, Kameron, Easley, and Kessel of Papillion, NE.

He is predeceased by his parents as well as brother Rodney (1997), Tommy (2018) and nephew Brian Jensen 2005.

Visitation will be Friday, August 28 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Hennessey Funeral Home in Missouri Valley, Iowa.

A light lunch and fellowship will be provided at the Eagles Club immediately after the service from 12 to 3:00 pm.

In Loving Memory Of Randy D. Jensen

Born February 26, 1957 Council Bluffs, Iowa

Entered Into Rest July 19, 2020 Omaha, Nebraska

Celebration of Life Service

11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 29, 2020

Hennessey Funeral Home Missouri Valley, Iowa

Officiating Pastor Charles A. Pleak

Music Selections

“The Dance” “Keep Me In Your Heart”

“My Way”

Honorary Casket Bearers

Randy McHugh Raymond Lager

Pat Morgan Dallas Clemens

Mark Allmon Fred Fouts