

Randy D. Jensen



UPDATED SERVICE : Out of respect and safety for all in attendance, the Friday visitation will be from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Hennessey Funeral Home. Saturday services have been changed to an outside venue and will be held at the home of Dee and Jeanna (Purcell) Schmidt , 3260 Muncie Ave, Missouri Valley ,IA . Social Distancing will be practiced and we highly encourage the wearing of masks. Due to the outdoor venue, seating will not be provided, so please feel free to bring your own. A luncheon at the Eagles Club in Missouri Valley will follow immediately after the service from approximately 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Randy David Jensen, of Missouri Valley entered into rest at the age of 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 Timothy 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 was also 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 and attended the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. 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, IA, daughter, Ashley Penix and husband Mark of Papillion, NE, son Timothy and special friend Ruth Brooks of Omaha, NE, Zachary of Missouri Valley, IA, Sarah Jo Carrier and husband Richard of Hawthorne, FL, and son Jason and wife Marissa of Auburn, NE. He is also survived by one sister Judy Pleak and husband Charles of Oakland, IA, and brother, Larry Jensen of Missouri Valley, IA. He also has 7 grandchildren, Colton, Kai, and Bella of Hawthorne FL, and Benjamin, Kameron, Eisley, and Kessel of Papillion, NE.

He is predeceased by his parents as well as brother Rodney (1997), Tommy (2018) nephew Bryan Jensen (2005) and sister in law Carolyn (2020). Visitation will be Friday, August 28 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Hennessey Funeral Home in Missouri Valley, Iowa.

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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

3260 Muncie Avenue Missouri Valley, Iowa

Officiating Pastor Charles A. Pleak

Music Selections

“The Dance” “Keep Me In Your Heart”

“My Way”

Honorary Pall Bearers

Randy McHugh Raymond Lager

Pat Morgan Dallas Clemens

Mark Allmon Fred Fouts