



Darrel "Rudy" Grapp

October 30, 1935 - December 19, 2021

CEDAR FALLS-Darrel Rudolph "Rudy" Grapp, 86, of Cedar Falls, died Sunday, December 19, 2021 at NewAldaya Lifescapes.

He was born October 30, 1935, in Cedar Falls, IA, the son of Elden and Edith Fenner Grapp. He married Sandi Wilson November 27, 1955 and later divorced. He then married Lynda Mikkelsen June 8, 1974. She died February 16, 2013. He was employed at Titus Manufacturing for 22 years and then John Deere for 17 years, retiring in 1994. He also worked at Simpson Furniture for 8 years.

Survived by six sons, Steve (Diane) of Cedar Falls, Stewart of Cedar Falls, Scott (Barb) of Waterloo, Darren (Shelli) of New Hartford, Doug (Lisa) Rose of Mansfield, TX, and Derrek of Waterloo; three daughters, Stacy Weinke of Waterloo, Angie Kendall of Oak Ridge, TN, and Lisa Orsborn of Cedar Falls; 20 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and two sisters, Marjorie Marchal of Parkersburg and Darlene Herzog of Cedar Falls. Preceded in death by his daughter-in-law, Jo Ellen Grapp; son-in-law, Ricky Kendall; 5 brothers: Donald, Lyle, Gerald, Robert, and Warren; and 7 sisters: Ethel Barth, Alice Lancaster, Vearl Gilliland, Viola Fairbanks, Rose "Posy" Sells, Geraldine Hansen, and Betty Fisher.

Services 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at the First United Methodist Church, with interment in the Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens, both in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Richardson Funeral Service. Online condolences may be left at: www.richardsonfuneralservice.com

rvise.com Rudy enjoyed fishing and going to auctions including exotic animal sales. He loved spending time with his big family! He had a big heart and would help anyone, any time, any where and always with a smile!

Cemetery Details

Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens

Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 233-6136

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service
615 Main Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 266-3525
richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

Service

DEC 28. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
718 Clay Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
<http://aboutfirst.com>

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ *JoAnn Johnson*

Rudy was the best uncle anyone could have. I loved him dearly. He took me to the stock car races, fishing, and twirled me around the roller skating rink until I was dizzy. He took me to the movie "Old Yellar". I cried when the dog died. Rudy said don't cry Joey it's not real. What a wonderful and caring man. I will miss him alot. My heart goes out to the family. I may not make the funeral because of health problems.

JoAnn johnson - December 27, 2021 at 11:33 PM

JJ

“ *Dear Family:*

As soon as I saw "Rudy" (in print) in the obituary section of the Courier, my heart dropped. I was certainly saddened to read of his death. The loss. to your large family, brings sorrow, pain and will certainly create a void in your lives. My thoughts, after reading of Rudy's death was, "He was just a good ole boy!". When greeting Rudy, you couldn't help but smile. He was always cheerful and you were glad to run into him when out and about. And, three of his sons that I knew, were a 'chip off the block" and just "good guys'. All were reliable and dedicated to their work - with high levels of integrity. My heartfelt sympathy is extended each and every one of you during your time of grieving.

I regret. because of my health issues and immunocompromised condition, that I am unable to attend most public functions.

However, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

"Shep" (John Shephard, Jr.)

John Shephard, Jr. - December 24, 2021 at 02:16 PM

JJ

Rudy was always my favorite uncle of all the grapps. I loved him dearly. He used to twirl me around the rolling rink until I was dizzy when I was about 10 yrs old

He took me fishing and to the stock car races. He took me to the movie Old yellar and I cried when the dog died. Rudy said don't cry Joey. It's not real. Then took me for ice cream. What a wonderful caring man he was. So many good memories of him. I will miss him so much. My heart goes out to all the family. I may not make the funeral because of health problems. Normally I would not miss it for the world. Rest in peace my dear man. JoAnn Johnson

JoAnn johnson - December 27, 2021 at 09:40 PM

VT

“*Rudy Grapp was one of the friendliest and most caring people on earth. He always made everyone feel so important and loved. During my school days with his amazing kids, he cheered for me during ball games and clapped for me during concerts. During later years, it was always a joy to see Rudy around town because he gave the update on his kids and he beamed with pride about each one. He never hesitated to ask about my life too. Rudy left a legacy and he will be missed by everyone who was blessed to know him. My sympathy and prayers are with all of the family members during this sad and difficult time. I won't be able to attend Rudy's celebration of life, but I will be with you in spirit. Blessings. Vickie Trent*



Vickie Trent - December 23, 2021 at 10:17 PM

CO

“ Craig and I wish to send our deepest condolences to all of Rudy's family and friends. Craig worked with Rudy at Titus, he always thought highly of Rudy and we would often see him at McDonald's. He always greeted you with a smile and asked how you were doing. He was a great fisherman too, would see him fishing off the Franklin St bridge. He will be forever missed, great man!



Craig and Kathy Olmstead - December 23, 2021 at 09:49 PM

KW

“ I knew Rudy for 50 years and the Grapp "kids" Steve workked for us at Bob's Grocery for several years while in H.S. Rudy has gone straight to Heaven . He was THE kindest and hardesy working man and best father you could ever know, Bless his ever loving soul . Bless his whole family. My heaert is with you ..Karen Webb

karen webb - December 23, 2021 at 01:59 AM

MT

Please accept our heartfelt and sincere sympathy on Rudy's passing. Rudy had the warmest smile, and the ability to make everyone feel they were special and important to him. He will be missed by all who knew him. Clifford and Marcie Trent

Marcie and Clifford Trent - December 27, 2021 at 10:57 AM

PN

“ I was so sorry to hear of Rudy's passing. We went to school together and I used to see him a lot in McDonald's . Please accept my deepest sympathy and know that he is now in the arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus. With Love and Hugs Pat Johnson Nieman



Pat Nieman - December 22, 2021 at 12:28 PM

JS

“ *Our deepest condolences to Stewart and all the Grapp family.*

John and Jeanne Speas - December 22, 2021 at 10:27 AM

AK

“ *Allison Ketter lit a candle in memory of Darrel "Rudy" Grapp*



Allison Ketter - December 22, 2021 at 07:40 AM

TF

“ *The Rose Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Darrel "Rudy" Grapp.*



The Rose Family - December 21, 2021 at 04:20 PM

LF

“ *Wherever you saw him, he would greet you with a smile and ask how you were. My deepest condolences to the family of the most friendly man one could know.*

Linda Fitch - December 21, 2021 at 07:01 AM