



Douglas J. Toay

July 18, 1963 - February 2, 2015

Douglas J. Toay (1963-2015)

CEDAR FALLS- Douglas J. Toay, 52, of Cedar Falls, died Monday, February 2, 2015 at his residence.

He was born July 18, 1963, in Storm Lake, Iowa, son of Thomas and Lorene "Rene" (Brummer) Toay. He married Penny Surma on June 21, 1986 in Rock Valley, Iowa, and they later divorced.

He graduated from Central Lyon High School, Rock Rapids in 1981 and earned his BA degree in Finance from the University of Northern Iowa in 1985.

Survived by: his mother, Rene Bladon of Bella Vista, AR; two daughters, Meredith Toay of Waverly and Mara (fiancé Jordan Hoppenworth) Toay of Davenport; granddaughter, GraceAnn Toay; four brothers: Scott (Kerri Wong) of Burbank, CA, Dave (Kris) Toay of Spencer, Chris (Sarah) Bladon of Birmingham, AL, and James (Angela) Bladon of Tarzana, CA; four sisters: Jane (Mark) Weakley of Clarksville, TN, Amy (Dale) Klocke of Adel, Rebecca (Dale) Kuykendall of Dixon, CA, and Lea (Jim) Reed of Scotts Valley, CA; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by: his father; and step father, Dr. Vern Bladon.

Services: 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Faith Wesleyan Church in Cedar Falls, with visitation for one hour prior to the service.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Wesleyan Church
211 Walnut Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 266-0602

Memorial Service

FEB 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GL

“ *Garie Lewis lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay*



Garie Lewis - February 09, 2015 at 11:57 PM

BE

“ *I am very sorry to hear about Doug passing away it is a very tragic and sad thing to go through I am Beau he was always smiling talking about sports and he came to my wrestling meets and when he rode his bike to church he let me and my friend ride his bike around he will never be forgotten God Bless.*

Sincerely , Beau Andersen

Beau - February 08, 2015 at 09:03 PM

BE

“ *Beau lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay*



Beau - February 08, 2015 at 08:58 PM

Tonia
Milton

“ Tonia Milton lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay



Tonia Milton - February 08, 2015 at 02:48 PM

KD

“ I met Doug my freshman year at UNI and lived on the same floor "Larrabee House" @ Rider Hall. I will always remember him as a very friendly welcoming person full of life and fun to be around. So long my fellow Nad and friend - you will be missed!

Kevin Didio

Kevin Didio - February 08, 2015 at 12:23 PM

DF

“ David Felton lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay



David Felton - February 07, 2015 at 12:51 PM

CS

“ I also have many fond memories of Doug from UNI days! God bless friend! My sympathies to all friends and family. Chip Staebell

chip STAEBELL - February 07, 2015 at 09:10 AM

KE

“ My heart breaks as I hear of Doug's passing. We went to Central Lyon High School together and happy to say he was a good friend of mine. He would always put a smile on your face. He was a very caring, sensitive, fun loving, bright fella. Was so nice to re connect online the past couple of years. We always enjoyed talking about sports. I was always "Lensy" to him. I will never forget you my friend. Peace to you. Sending prayers of comfort to your family.

Kandace Lens Esser-Marysville, WA

Kandace Lens Esser - February 07, 2015 at 12:28 AM

PP


“ Penny, Meredith, and Mara,
Sending hugs and sincere sympathy.
Please know my prayers are with you.

Penny Perkins - February 06, 2015 at 08:50 PM

DE

“ Thoughts and prayers to the Toay Family!


David Ewoldt - February 06, 2015 at 05:17 PM

 Tracey
Sudbay
Hash

“ Tracey Sudbay Hash lit a candle in memory of
Douglas J. Toay



Tracey Sudbay Hash - February 06, 2015 at 02:24 PM

 Tracey
Sudbay
Hash

“ Doug was loved by everyone and everyone loved Doug!!! What a kind soul he was!!! He will be truly missed by sooooo many people!!!! I knew Doug from childhood. Both our blended families were very close. He will always hold a special place in my heart. I will miss him calling me "Winnie". He always made me smile. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family. He talked about family all the time. He was so proud of his daughters and grandbaby!!!! Rest in peace now my friend...we all love you and you will never be forgotten.

Tracey Sudbay Hash - February 06, 2015 at 02:23 PM

RM

“ Our hearts are extremely sad at the unexpected loss of Doug. The members and friends of Faith Wesleyan Church, Cedar Falls will miss him very much. Our prayers, thoughts and sympathy go to his family and all who grieve his untimely loss from our midst. Surely our loss is Heaven's gain

Rev. Robert McMurdock - February 06, 2015 at 01:08 PM

KK

“ Went to High school with Doug... always remembered and will continue to remember this very special person with a smile that could light up your darkest day. Very sorry to hear this news...praying for love and comfort to family members.

Karla Vander Kolk - February 06, 2015 at 12:47 PM

DL

“ *Deb Lundberg lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay*



Deb Lundberg - February 06, 2015 at 12:33 PM

DL

“ *I went to school with Doug and spent a lot of time with him in the last 6 years. Doug was a great guy with the biggest heart of anyone I know. He was always there to help anyone. He was always there to help with things at his church. He had a great sense of humor and could always get me to laugh. He loved his kids, grand daughter and Penny very much. He often talked about them and was so Proud of Meredith and Mara. My deepest sympathy and prayers for the family. I loved Doug and will miss him. RIP Doug.*

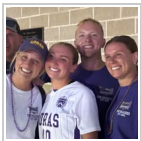
Deb Lundberg

Deb Lundberg - February 06, 2015 at 12:31 PM

JB

“ *Our deepest sympathy
Paul & Jane Biedermann*

jane Biedermann - February 06, 2015 at 11:56 AM



“ *Doug, you were a brother to me. Rest in peace...you will be missed.*

Joe Surma - February 06, 2015 at 11:31 AM

CJ

“ I went school with Doug, always a smile! He truly was one of kind guy--you never had to expect anything but laughs with him. He truly will be missed, thoughts and prayers with the entire family today and the days ahead! Rest in peace.....

Connie Johnson-Watts

Connie Johnson-Watts - February 06, 2015 at 10:18 AM

 Mark
Freeman

Doug was my neighbor and first friend. We love to reminisce about playing basketball in our basement and swimming in their pool. We had lost touch for a long time, but it was wonderful the last few years to reconnect. I will miss you, Doug.

With love to your family, Mark Freeman

Mark Freeman - February 07, 2015 at 07:39 AM

NF

“ We have many fond and fun memories of Doug. Our family always enjoyed his visits. One great memory our family has of Doug was on April Fools Day one year - he parked his truck outside and we live on a hill. Doug was talking to us as he was standing by the front door and AnnMarie looked out the window and yelled at Doug, "Doug , your truck is rolling down the hill." Doug sprinted out the door and almost got to his truck when he realized it wasn't. He came back in and AnnMarie shouted, "April Fools" That was the best.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Doug's Family, Penny & the girls. The Flanigans (Gary, Nancy, Meg, AnnMarie & Cameron and Jack)

Nancy Flanigan - February 06, 2015 at 09:31 AM

CC

“ Doug and I lived on the same dorm room floor (Larrabee house in Rider Hall) at the University of Northern Iowa. He was always funny, friendly and sincere. I considered Doug one of my best friends during college and it seems like everyone on our floor thought Doug was their best friend too. Doug engendered people in that way. I will never forget you Doug.

Clark Christensen - February 05, 2015 at 06:19 PM

TO

“ God directs your paths...first time I met Doug on a Sunday morning, I shook his hand and said Welcome, like a instant friendship between complete strangers, he confessed to us all later that he was on his way to another church but decided to stop by ours that day, and ever since he came every chance he could to help out or learn about the Bible when ever the doors were open. we only knew him for a short time and I know we will all miss him.
Tom & Berta

Tom - February 05, 2015 at 05:54 PM

JF

“ Doug was my UNI college roommate for two years back in the early 1980s. He was one of my best friends. I am glad we were able to maintain our friendship through the years. I visited him a few weeks ago and he was full of smiles. In all of our conversations before and since, we always seemed to have our share of "belly laughs." This was par for the course with us, even in tough times. Rest in peace, my friend. I will never forget you...

Jeff Fishel - February 05, 2015 at 04:52 PM

KW

“ Penny, Meredith, Mara....

Tim and I are thinking of you all, praying for strength, and peace. Will always remember fun times with the Walkers!mystery beer....fongdu...hockey :)

Kellie Weber - February 05, 2015 at 02:43 PM



“ *To a Great Friend we met when out of the blue he walked in to our church. What a Blessing it was that he came in to our lives! Our Friday Bible study was great and our Pastor helped me and Doug learn about our Great Lord and Savior! He was always there to help around the Church with our projects. Heaven has become a little richer with Doug! He always spoke of his Children and Grandchildren and his time in California. Our Church and my Family will miss Doug and it was a Blessing to know him! Bruce, Tonya, Mikayla and Ali*

Bruce Carpenter - February 05, 2015 at 02:13 PM



“ *Jane Weakley purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Douglas J. Toay.*



Jane Weakley - February 05, 2015 at 01:58 PM

LC

“ Love, Jordan's Cousins purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Douglas J. Toay.



Love, Jordan's Cousins - February 05, 2015 at 01:06 PM

SS

“ Doug was a pal of mine in school. He was a year younger than me. Funny, kind, smart. He always made me smile.

I am so sorry. The world is a little less bright without him. Thinking of all of you, friends and family.

Sandy Cold Shapero

Sandy Cold Shapero - February 05, 2015 at 12:17 PM

MG

“ Penny & girls;
So sorry to hear of Doug's passing. Want to extend my sympathy to you and the family and rest grant unto him. Michalle Sulentic Riggs Geisler, Sun City, AZ.

Michalle Sulentic Riggs Geisler - February 05, 2015 at 11:17 AM

RM

“ Doug and I worked together at Norwest. My thoughts and prayers are with you. He was so much fun and always seemed to have a smile on his face.

Rhonda McCombs - February 05, 2015 at 10:54 AM

SC

“ I worked with Doug at Norwest Bank. I enjoyed him as a co-worker. He was always fun to be around. RIP Peace my friend.

Steve Christensen

Steve Christensen - February 05, 2015 at 01:09 AM

JF

“ Doug, we are going to miss you your laughter, your one liners, and your smile. I'm thankful all your pain is healed by our Lord. We will pray for you. Keep a special watch on your girls. Love you very much...John and Mary FitzGibbon.

John and Mary FitzGibbon - February 04, 2015 at 10:18 PM

BM

“ So sorry to hear about Doug's passing.. We had so many great memories growing up annd hanging out at your house in SL. I am keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers!

Beth Manthe - February 04, 2015 at 09:59 PM

PK

“ Doug and I grew up together from kindergarten until he moved when we were in high school. He lived just down West 5th st. from me in Storm Lake. So many wonderful memories and a special friend. It is so very sad. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. Rest in peace my friend....

Paul Keen - February 04, 2015 at 09:28 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Douglas J. Toay.*



February 04, 2015 at 08:12 PM



“ *Amazing Grace 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Douglas J. Toay.*



February 04, 2015 at 08:02 PM



“ *Doug and I shared our years at UNI together. So many memories! Great guy with a huge heart and zest for life. My thoughts and prayers go out to Doug's family. Rest in peace my friend...*

Duane Putz

Duane Putz - February 04, 2015 at 07:24 PM

TW

“ So many memories Doug Toay! To the biggest Panther Fan I know we shared so many good times in the Dome watching Kurt Warner throw the ball like no other, the BBall team winning the Gateway Championship and so many Hawkeyes Football games. Also, the 5:40am T-times and your patients helping me learn the game of golf. Saying many prayers old friend! RIP, Doug Toay and for you Go Panthers!

Todd Walker

todd walker - February 04, 2015 at 06:39 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Douglas J. Toay.



February 04, 2015 at 05:32 PM

JK

“ Penny,
Pam and I were very sad to hear about your loss. My memories of Doug always included a smile and a great sense of humor...our thoughts are with you and your family.

Jon and Pam Kragt

Jon Kragt - February 04, 2015 at 04:00 PM

SL

“ The entire family holds a special place in my heart. The memories and joy you all gave me.... God Bless You All.

Sallie Leibhart - February 04, 2015 at 02:47 PM

JW

“ Penny, Meredith and Mara,

I am so sorry to learn of Doug's death. I have run into him a number of times at the Cedar Falls Library over the past several years. He always wanted to know what our sons were doing and never failed to share what Meredith and Mara (and more recently his little granddaughter) were doing. He was always friendly and made you feel like he was really glad to have run into you. Thinking of all of you.

Jean Wagner

Jean Wagner - February 04, 2015 at 12:47 PM



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Wade Stephens Sick - February 04, 2015 at 12:11 PM



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Jane Weakley - February 04, 2015 at 11:48 AM

SK

Prayers coming your way as you morn the loss of Doug. Penny, Meredith, Mara and Gracie, I will always treasure the memories of my cousin Doug. Meredith and Mara, when I would stop in Waterloo, to visit your Dad, he would often tell me about his beautiful daughters. He loved you so much. Love from your 2nd cousin Sandy.

Sandy Nielson Krell - February 04, 2015 at 02:44 PM

SK

“ To my Aunt Rene and cousins Scott, Jane, David and Amy - I will always hold dear the memories of Doug. Our family get togethers, swimming in your pool, birthday and holiday celebrations...all memories of our love for each other. As we grew up, married and moved from the Storm Lake area we kind of lost touch with each other. But through facebook we were reunited. In the past 5 or 6 years as I traveled from Missouri to my parents in Iowa, Nathan and I would stop and spend a few hours with Doug. We would always talk about our family. He loved to reminisce about family. He loves each one of us as we love him. I will always cherish those visits. I know that when God calls my name, I will be reunited with Doug and we'll pick up where we left off. I never knew that when we hugged Good bye the last time I saw him would be my last one on God's earth. Till we meet again Doug, may you have peace in the arms of Jesus. I love and miss you Doug. Sandy Nielson Krell and family

Sandy Krell - February 04, 2015 at 11:41 AM

CK

“ My love to all of the family. I will miss talking to Doug and all of the things he would remind me of. Doug loved his family and recalled so many happy times. He was a sweet guy with a big heart. We'll see each other again some day.



Christine Toay King - February 04, 2015 at 11:39 AM

CC

“ Clark Christensen purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Douglas J. Toay.



Clark Christensen - February 04, 2015 at 11:30 AM

BF

“ Blythe Fields lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay



Blythe Fields - February 04, 2015 at 11:22 AM

BF

I couldn't have asked for a better friend. So many memories we shared in IA and in CA. RIP my dear friend. You will be missed.

Blythe Fields - February 04, 2015 at 11:24 AM

KC

“ Penny , daughters, and family, we send you our heartfelt sympathy and prayers for support. Doug was a good guy and a pleasure to know. We are so very sorry you must endure this loss and we will never forget Doug's kind manner and sense of humor.
God bless and give you strength,
Kevan and Shelley Cortright and family

kevan cortright - February 04, 2015 at 11:05 AM

JD

“ I worked with Doug at Norwest in the '90s. He was smart, quick-witted, and kind. He spoke respectfully of his wife, Penny and was very proud of his daughters, Meredith and Mara. We would banter about my kids' successes vs. his daughters' successes.

May his kind heart rest in peace. I am sorry for your loss.

Joyce Dunlay

Joyce Dunlay - February 04, 2015 at 10:50 AM

UD

“ Uncle Leonard, Aunt Arlene, Lynn, Gloria, Sandy, and David purchased the Books of Love for the family of Douglas J. Toay.



Uncle Leonard, Aunt Arlene, Lynn, Gloria, Sandy, and David
- February 04, 2015 at 09:53 AM

MP

“ My heart goes out to the Toay and Bladden family. To lose someone so young and vivacious is heartbreaking. Please know my love and prayers go out to you all!!! Mary Tucker Paine

mary paine - February 04, 2015 at 09:52 AM

RH

“ I've known Doug and the rest of the Toay family my whole life!!! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you!!!! Rest in Peace Doug.

Ronda Utter Hogan - February 04, 2015 at 09:24 AM

AS

“ I have been very blessed to have been a small part of this man's life. ..I'll always remember the laughs and of course teaching him how to dance Tennessee style. ..you will never be forgotten. RIP Doug

Angela Sweeney - February 04, 2015 at 09:16 AM



“ Doug was one of the first “strangers” I met as a freshman at UNI. He was not a stranger for very long. I offer my condolences to Doug’s family. You will be in my thoughts and prayers along with a lot of great memories of experiences I shared with Doug.

Mark Mawe

Mark Mawe - February 04, 2015 at 09:03 AM



“ For my UNI Larrabee House friends- the Nads- we say goodbye and farewell to one of ours taken too young. When I look at the sunset, purple and gold, I will think of him on this wintery night. Farewell to you Doug. I think I speak for all of your college buddies, we loved you. Rest in peace and in our memories.

Wade Stephens Sick - February 04, 2015 at 08:10 AM

JD

“ John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Douglas J. Toay



John and Connie Demers - February 04, 2015 at 07:20 AM



“ The Toay family and the Trickel family go way back, we are saddened by the loss of their son, our old friend; Doug Toay. RIP Doug.

Jim Trickel - February 03, 2015 at 09:51 PM