



Francis Eighme

December 13, 1944 - October 13, 2022

Francis Rex Eighme, 77, of Waterloo, died Wednesday, October 13, 2022, at his home.

He was born on December 13, 1944, in Waterloo, Iowa, the son of Rex and Dorothy (Petersohn) Eighme. He graduated from Waterloo West High School in 1963. On May 1, 1984, he was united in marriage to Linda Tate in Reno, NV. He worked as a machinist for John Deere until 1996. He also owned and operated Fran's Pro Shop. He and Linda, son Rich & his wife Kathy, and Zach Beschorner purchased Maple Lanes in 2011, and Cadillac Lanes in 2017. He was a member of the UAW and Local and State USBC Bowling Hall of Fame.

Fran is survived by his wife; son; Rich (Kathy) Eighme of Waterloo, two grandchildren Mitch Eighme of Virginia Beach, VA, and Brianne Eighme of Des Moines; and sisters, Kay Bolton of Des Moines and Vivian Killian of Houston, TX.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister; Marge Branham, and brother; Rick Eighme.

A Celebration of Life will be held 1:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 23, 2022, at Kingpin Social at Maple Lanes in Waterloo.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Maple Lanes Youth Scholarship program to promote the future of the game Fran so loved.

Online condolences may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **23**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Kingpin Social at Maple Lanes
2608 University Ave
Waterloo, IA 50701

Tribute Wall

Jl

“ *Linda and Rich. So sorry to hear of Fran’s passing. My Dad had a lot of great times with Fran. Best, jrlll* ”

JR III - October 24, 2022 at 10:12 AM

DM

“ *Growing up in the 50’s and 60’s with sandlot baseball, drag racing and lots and lots of bowling. A great guy to be around and he will be missed by all that knew him.* ”

Don Mills - October 22, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Francis Eighme.* ”



October 20, 2022 at 03:23 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis Eighme.* ”



October 20, 2022 at 01:13 PM

AM

“ *Bowling the National Open Bowling Tournament with him.* ”

Andrew Mallon - October 18, 2022 at 01:55 PM

LJ

“ Fran was one of the most solid people in my life.He was always encouraging and uplifting to me.I asked him to go to a tournament with me in Omaha and he said of course are you driving? I Love him and will miss giving him fish and mushrooms.He was everybody’s Father,Uncle,Brother,Grand dad and friend.....This earth will never be the same....

larves jones jr - October 18, 2022 at 06:41 AM

DS

“ Fran was a great bowler and a great guy. I always enjoyed competing with him and against him. Please accept my sincere sympathy.

Dick Smith

Dick Smith - October 16, 2022 at 02:54 PM

RW

“ Rick and I send our condolences to Fran’s family. The bowling community will miss him. He will long be remembered by all who knew him. May memories bring you comfort and may God grant you peace in the coming days. With sincere sympathy



Rick and Kerri Wilson - October 16, 2022 at 02:15 PM

PB

“ 1 file added to the album High School



Port Beattie - October 16, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ Vicky Lake lit a candle in memory of Francis Eighme



Vicky Lake - October 16, 2022 at 09:47 AM

KT

“ Fran had always been a great person. Willing to help adults to kids with bowling and bowling balls. He would help the kids to learn to bowl. He helped me get a heavier ball when I was on a league. He always had a smile for everyone. He will be missed by a great many people. RIP Fran.

Katie Torrey - October 15, 2022 at 07:47 PM