



## Irvin E. Tiller

October 28, 1937 - April 26, 2021

CEDAR FALLS-Irvin E. Tiller, 83, of Cedar Falls, died Monday, April 26, 2021, at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo.

He was born October 28, 1937, in Deerfield, Iowa, the son of Clarence H. and Mabel E. Parson. Irv graduated from Cedar Falls High School in 1958. He was united in marriage to Donna M. Randall June 15, 1958, in Cedar Falls. He served in the Iowa Army National Guard and was employed at Viking Pump as a Technician in the Research and Development Department for 42 years. Survived by his wife, Donna of Cedar Falls; two daughters, Tammi (Gary) Meyer of Grundy Center and Terri (Rod) Riebkes of Cedar Falls; three grandchildren, Chad (Season Eichhorn) Meyer, Jessica (Brandon) Clough, and Hannah (Damon) Gard; three great grandchildren, Jobe, Cohen, and Evalynn Eichhorn; and his twin brother, Irwin (Linda) Tiller of Watkinsville, GA. Preceded in death by two brothers, Lloyd and Joe Tiller and sister, Barbara Kern.

Service 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 1, 2021 at First United Methodist Church, with private family interment in the Highland Cemetery, both in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Richardson Funeral Service. Online condolences may be left at: [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com). Memorials may be directed to the Iowa Heartland Habitat for Humanity in Waterloo.

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Cemetery

Ford Rd  
Cedar Falls Iowa, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 30. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

MAY 1. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ *I'm sorry for your loss  
Irvin is a great family friend and will be truly missed*

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**Christina mesenbrink** - November 20, 2023 at 06:46 PM

DS

“ *Irvin Tiller was the most caring, recent man I've ever known. He is now in a much better place, so my thoughts are with Donna and daughters. God be with you all. I will always love you all and will always admire Irvin Tiller. A true son of Iowa*

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**Don Swartzell** - May 02, 2021 at 02:43 PM

BT

“ *We met Irv and Donna at Cedar Falls First United Methodist Church. From the first moment they were there for Padma, Danielle, Alex and I. We will all miss Irv's hugs, care and love. Alex and Danielle viewed him as a grandfather, for which we are forever thankful.*

*Love*

*Padma, Danielle, Alex and Blair*

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**blair templeton** - May 02, 2021 at 01:26 PM

DL

“ *Dearest Terri and Tammy....so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. Sending our love and prayers from the Lindaman's. Love you....Deb and Darrell*

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**Debra And Darrell Lindaman** - May 01, 2021 at 07:20 PM

TR

“ *My condolences to you and your family. Irv was the sweetest man I've ever met. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.*  
*Terri Rogers*

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**Terri Rogers** - May 01, 2021 at 11:14 AM



“ *To Irv's family - Although I didn't get the opportunity to ever go fishing with Irv, I loved hearing about his many angling adventures. Oftentimes, I would get to hear the first version of the story via his nephew Mike, my very close friend and fishing buddy. Then, when I was fortunate enough to get together with Irv, I got to hear the fishing tale all over again.... but this with even more gusto, excitement, and with all the extra little details every fisherman & outdoor lover appreciates!*

*Your Irv was a great man and fun fella to be around. My deepest condolences to the family.*

*Kent & Billi Jo Strabala  
Burlington, Iowa*

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**Kent Strabala** - May 01, 2021 at 10:54 AM

SB

“ My sister and I always called Irv and his brother, "the Tiller Twins" because we never knew which was which. They lived in our neighborhood and seemed so nice because they were cool older guys and we were much younger but they always acted glad to see us. That never changed. Now so many years later we love running into Irv at Panera. He gives the best hugs and is so interested in what's up in our lives. He will be so missed but I am sure he is busy in Heaven...helping everyone out! Donna I am so sorry for your loss. It must leave such a large hole. You will be in my prayers.

*Suellyn Colvin Brooks*

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**Suellyn Brooks** - April 30, 2021 at 09:21 PM

MS

“ Dear Donna, Terri, Rod, Tammi and Gary,  
You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
*Doug and Marnie Stewart*

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**Marnie Stewart** - April 30, 2021 at 05:15 PM

JH

“ Team Dupaco sends our deepest condolences to the Tiller family and the Cedar Falls Community Credit Union family. Irv was a special friend of Dupaco and a blessing to the entire credit union movement. He will be missed and we are keeping in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Joe Hearn** - April 30, 2021 at 10:17 AM

AC

“ I don't think I would be exaggerating in the slightest to say that Irv Tiller was one of my favorite people I've ever had the pleasure of meeting. I was lucky enough to work with Irv on the Habitat build sites countless times. Every day he would walk up, give me the biggest handshake, I'd ask how he was doing, and he would almost always reply "well I sat up and took nourishment today, so I'd say I'm doing pretty good." His laugh was contagious and his heart for serving and loving others was nothing short of inspiring. The world desperately needs more people like this great man!

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**Andy Conger** - April 30, 2021 at 09:22 AM

DM

“ Donna, Tammi and Terri. We feel blessed to have known and volunteered with Irv Tiller. He was always so pleasant and positive and willing to help anyone in need. He will truly be missed at so many places in the community for his presence and help. We are truly sorry for your loss.

*Dick and Bev Michael*

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**Dick & Bev Michael** - April 30, 2021 at 08:44 AM

KB

“ I had the privilege of meeting and getting to know Irv while serving on the CFCCU board. What a gem he was! I don't think I've ever known a kinder person. And always such a gentleman. My condolences to Donna and the entire family.

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**karen blount** - April 30, 2021 at 08:26 AM

LH

“ I feel blessed to have had so many connections with Irv. He and my Dad worked at Viking - and then Irv and I worked at Viking for several years, as well. He had great stories to share with me about my Dad after he died, and it was such a comfort to me. He also stepped in as a sort of surrogate grandfather to my girls after my Dad was gone. He was the most memorable guest at my folks' 50th Wedding Anniversary - he arrived almost at the end of their open house, having first volunteered elsewhere...I'm sure he was hot, sweaty and tired from the work he'd just completed, but he somehow found the time and energy to do just one more thoughtful thing!

We would always look for Irv and Donna at every tumbling meet...and they would be sure to be there to support Jessica and Hannah. And we could always count on them at each and every Tahigwa Work Weekend at the Girl Scout camp. What a prince of a guy! He will be missed.

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**Linda (Hoffman) Holm** - April 30, 2021 at 07:21 AM

TL

“ My dear friend Irv was an angel on earth. It was always a joy to see him; to speak with Irv was always a positive experience. My friend, you will always be in my heart.

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**Tony Lake** - April 29, 2021 at 07:24 PM

Kristy-  
Duane  
Rosonke

“ *Irv had the kindest eyes and sweetest soul. He made you feel special and gave the best hugs. He loved Donna, his family and the Lord so very much!*

*Duane got to know Irv at Habitat and talks about his many skills and also the sardines he brought for lunch. :) There are so many stories floating around Habitat about Irv. He will be greatly missed!  
Irv's family is in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

*Duane & Kristy Rosonke*



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**Kristy-Duane Rosonke** - April 29, 2021 at 04:25 PM

BC

“ *Such fond memories of Irv, working at Community meals at church and his pleasant personality! This world needs more Irv's!! RIP*

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**Barbara Carlson** - April 29, 2021 at 07:52 AM

AK

“ Where does one begin to describe Irv. The sweetest, kindest, loving man I have ever had the privilege to know. A one of a kind for sure. I will miss our turkey dinners at St. Patrick Church in Parkersburg, we always looked forward to it and rode together. He loved mincemeat pie and always looked for it on the pie table. He so enjoyed those dinners. He had a deep love for the Lord and his family. He was so proud of his daughters. I will miss those strong hugs. Irv, you have earned your crown in heaven. Fly high with the angels. Alice Kuennen

*Irv was a great friend and we enjoyed each others company both at habitat and outside of habitat. Hopefully I learned something about how to treat people by watching him operate. He was one of a kind, a joy to be around and a class act. I will never forget Irv.*  
Bob Kuennen

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**Alice Kuennen** - April 28, 2021 at 07:18 PM

TL

*I loved Irv!*

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**Tony Lake** - April 29, 2021 at 07:09 PM

PT

“ Our condolences to all of the Tiller family. Irv was a great neighbor and a kind man who will be remembered fondly.  
Mike and Pat Trampel

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**Pat Trampel** - April 28, 2021 at 03:59 PM

HP

“ Irv will forever have a place in my heart for being such a giving person that had a kind word for everyone. He will be missed but not forgotten. Helen Pearce

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**Helen Pearce** - April 28, 2021 at 03:39 PM

JH

“ To Irv's family, I came to know Irv when we were volunteer colleagues at Sartori Hospital. What a cordial man! He admirably reflected the spirit of volunteerism. My deep sympathy to you all, Judith Harrington

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**Judith Harrington** - April 28, 2021 at 09:13 AM

 Peter Redl

“ Great memories of the Tillers when we were neighbors on Franklin Street. We will always remember Irv playing Santa Claus and coming to our home to visit our son Chris when he was young. Irv will be missed by all that knew him! Our thoughts and prayers go out to Donna, the girls and their families! Jeanie and Pete Redl

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**Peter Redl** - April 27, 2021 at 11:12 PM

CH

Can you tell me where on franklin street did you live at?  
I lived at 21st and franklin street from 1960-1969.  
My parents were Jarvis and Twyla Mesenbrink.  
Irv was one of many that helped us move from cedar falls to dike.  
I can still remember all the cursing because they got are player piano stuck in the front door at both places.  
He has been part of my viking pump family since I was 5 1/2 years old.

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**Christina** - April 28, 2021 at 12:34 AM

JE

“ When I think of my friend Irv, the first thought is what a true gentleman he was. He always had a smile, a kind word and a warm hand when he greeted you, he would do anything for you because he cared for you and everyone. He was the guy that put the silver lining in the dark clouds and made things okay again. He is up there now painting some of those clouds for us all.

*Irv and I worked together a fair number of years at Habitat and for several of those years we car pooled. Irv drove on Mondays and I drove on Thursdays. He had more class of course, driving us for years in an El Camino that fit his style perfectly. On the job site, when it was time to install a storm door, the cry went out, “where’s Irv”, because he did the storm doors. They kind of became his specialty and he was proud of them and the installation had to meet his standards. But things always went better if his coffee cup was near by. What a great guy and I miss him.*

*John Eastland*

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**John Eastland** - April 27, 2021 at 10:15 PM

KA

“ Irv is truly one-of-a-kind. He always lit up a room, gave the best hugs, and told the funniest stories. We specifically remember him being such a hard worker and always willing to lend a helping hand. He definitely didn’t act his age! Every time we had a family get together he was always the life of the party and had a laugh and smile that could light up a room. We will miss him dearly. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his amazing family.

*-Tehrene & Karlissa Firman*

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**Karlissa** - April 27, 2021 at 09:45 PM

JF

“ *Jim and Sue McLeland and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Irvin E. Tiller.*



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**Jim and Sue McLeland and Family** - April 27, 2021 at 08:24 PM

DF

“ *When you think of a real SuperGuy, caring , loving, teddy bear, It's Irv. Sure will miss you. Prayers*

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**Dirk Firman** - April 27, 2021 at 08:07 PM

PS

“ *Deepest condolences for a Great Neighbor. Irv and Donna and their family took wonderful care of my father Bill Scully as well as their other long standing friends of Primrose Drive. God called Irv home, and he's in loving care now. His legacy of having a great heart will be in our memories forever.  
Love to all, Patrick Scully.*

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**Patrick Scully** - April 27, 2021 at 03:58 PM

NH

“ *From Nick Halvorson (Habitat Volunteer):  
I met Irv Tilker when I started Volunteering at Habitat in October of 2013. He was the first to greet and welcome me as a Monday and Thursday "Regular". He would always reach out with both his hands for mine and say "hello my friend". He was the sweetest man I ever got to know. I was blessed to call him friend.*

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**Nick Halvorson** - April 27, 2021 at 03:53 PM

IF

“ *Irwin Tiller family, Jason Tiller family, Brian Tiller Family, Jared Tiller, Kathie Rasmussen Family, Dave Barnes Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Irvin E. Tiller.*



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**Irwin Tiller family, Jason Tiller family, Brian Tiller Family, Jared Tiller, Kathie Rasmussen Family, Dave Barnes Family -**  
April 27, 2021 at 11:45 AM

LS

“ *Love, Jason, Lori, Blake, Roger, and Sondra purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Irvin E. Tiller.*



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**Love, Jason, Lori, Blake, Roger, and Sondra -** April 27, 2021  
at 10:57 AM

TH

“ *Irv was one of the nicest persons and volunteer I have had the privilege of knowing.  
Be it as a volunteer at Sartori Hospital or fund raising breakfasts at church, Irv always had a pleasant feeling that was contagious and you enjoyed volunteering with him!  
Irv will be at Peace, when he knows his family is at Peace.  
Tom Hagarty*

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**Tom Hagarty -** April 27, 2021 at 10:26 AM

DV

*We all went to school together from Lincoln to Cedar Falls High and all the reunions and catch ups you will be missed by all of those who loved you. Donna will be in my prayers. Go fly high my friend.*

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**Diane Barry Vajgrt -** April 30, 2021 at 08:38 PM

KA

*The Elbert Twins were blessed to get to know Donna, Irv, Terri and Tammy through the Mother's of Twins Club. I remember Irv's contagious smile and pure friendliness. My deepest Condolences to the entire family. Much love. Karen Elbert Carlson*

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**Karen** - May 01, 2021 at 09:45 AM