



## LaVerne Hickman

November 1, 1938 - November 20, 2024

LaVerne Treacle Hickman, 86, died on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at Ravenwood Specialty Care in Waterloo.

He was born on November 1, 1938, in Waterloo, IA, to Harold and Leola (Oih) Hickman. His baby sister and only sibling, Sherry Hickman, was born two years later. Vernie attended Waterloo West High School prior to enlisting in the Army. He served with the 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, as a paratrooper until his honorable discharge.

On November 29, 1959, he was united in marriage to Sandra Coen in Cedar Falls. They were blessed with two children. He later attended Hawkeye College earning a degree in Land Surveying. After moving to Colorado in 1972 he earned a degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Colorado while working full time and maintaining a solid 4.0. His work took him to a variety of locations including Victorville and Death Valley, California; Tehran, Iran; and Las Vegas, Nevada. He worked primarily as a construction superintendent until his retirement in May 2000.

Vern is survived by his daughter, Shelbi Hickman of Waterloo; son, Todd Hickman of Macon, Georgia; grandson, Josiah Hickman; three great-grandsons, and his sister, Sherry Hickman.

He was preceded in death by his adoring wife, Sandra, and his parents.

Per his wishes, his body was deeded to the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.

Family-directed memorial services will 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 7, 2024, at Hagerman Baptist Church (1105 Knoll Ave, Waterloo, IA 50701), with a luncheon to follow.

# Previous Events

## Family Directed Memorial Service

DEC 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

Hagerman Baptist Church  
1105 Knoll Avenue  
Waterloo, IA 50701

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Shelbi whenever I hear your dads name it always brings back the wonderful memories of our childhood at 1909 Robin road. So glad you and Todd were a part of those memories. What a gift your Mom and Dad gave to our family...you and Todd. Your Dad is in heaven with all those wonderful people who gave us so much love growing up. Love you....Jill in Denver.*

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**jill webb** - November 23, 2024 at 11:00 AM