



Ronald Neessen

January 16, 1939 - January 30, 2024

WATERLOO – Ronald J. Neessen, 85, died on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at his home.

He was born on January 16, 1939, in Iowa, the son of Thomas and Wilma (Henning) Neessen. He graduated from DeWitt Community Schools in 1957, Wartburg College in 1961 and the Madison School of Banking in 1963. He married Sheran Matson in June 1964, later divorcing. On July 20, 1974, he was united in marriage to the love of his life, Miriam Platz, in Waterloo. He was employed as a National Bank Examiner with the US Comptroller of the Currency from 1963 to 1982. He then became the Vice President of Commercial Lending for First National Bank of Moline in 1982 until his retirement in 1996.

When he was younger, Ron loved playing high school and college sports – football, baseball, and track. In his later years, he enjoyed watching his grandchildren play sports and participate in show choir. He was their biggest fan and encourager. He was most known for his piano playing and ability to play along with anything by ear. He shared his talent with a variety of community groups over the years. He also volunteered as a mentor for the Waterloo Schools.

He grew up knowing Jesus as his Savior and raised his children to follow his

example. Family was his first priority. He loved with everything he had, and he was loved back the same. He will be deeply missed and forever loved.

Ron is survived by wife, Miriam; daughter, Jennifer (Jeff), of Dubuque, IA and their children, Cody, Racheal, Alexis, and Aaron, son, Eric (Kim) of Westminster, CO and their children, Jonathon, Mitchell, and Ben; son, Michael (Jeff) of Albuquerque, NM; daughter, Krista (Josh), of College Station, TX, and their children, Brandon, Nathan (Sydney) and Lauren; great-grandchildren, Emmett, Jonah, and Winona; and sister, Carol Goodwin of Omaha, NE.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Norma.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, February 5, 2024, at Prairie Lakes Church in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be 2:00-4:00 p.m. Sunday, February 4th at the church.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Prairie Lakes Church
1907 Viking Road
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 266-2655
<http://www.prairielakeschurch.org>

Memorial Service

FEB 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

Prairie Lakes Church
1907 Viking Road
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
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<http://www.prairielakeschurch.org>

Tribute Wall

TM

“ *Tammie Mille purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



Tammie Mille - February 05, 2024 at 10:34 AM

KW

“ *Eric and family
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. May memories bring you comfort and may God grant you peace in the coming days. With deepest sympathy, Kerri Wilson (AEA)*

Kerri Wilson - February 05, 2024 at 10:15 AM

FF

“ *From The Becker Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



From The Becker Family - February 04, 2024 at 05:28 PM

FF

“ *From The Becker Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.*

From The Becker Family - February 04, 2024 at 05:28 PM

CB

“ My condolences to Miriam and the family. I had the privilege to know Ron, call him a friend and a band member. I really enjoyed his wit, friendship and talent. He is missed both in the band and as a friend.

Clifford E Birdsong - February 04, 2024 at 02:49 PM

DC

“ Miriam and family, So sorry to hear about Ron. I loved his sense of humor and talking with him on Sunday mornings. He was quite a guy! One who had my respect. It was my good fortune to know him.

Denny Cox - February 03, 2024 at 04:54 PM

LB

“ I am so sad to this. He was one of my favorite customers at Panera. My condolences to the entire family.

Laura Bowden - February 03, 2024 at 09:45 AM

AH

“ Ajet H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.

Ajet H. - February 03, 2024 at 07:39 AM

DW

“ Doug and Dianne Williams purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ronald Neessen.



Doug and Dianne Williams - February 02, 2024 at 10:59 PM

BS

“ Ron and I were classmates in high school and were occasionally in touch through all the years after. On our high school football team, Ron was a key player on an undefeated team in 1957.

I always had great respect for him in school and in his career. Our condolences to his family.

Bob Story - February 02, 2024 at 02:21 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.



February 02, 2024 at 01:32 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.



February 01, 2024 at 09:38 PM

TG

“ The Neessen home group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.

The Neessen home group - February 01, 2024 at 09:38 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



February 01, 2024 at 09:37 PM



“ *Michael & Jeff Dubinski-Neessen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.*

Michael & Jeff Dubinski-Neessen - February 01, 2024 at 09:37 PM



“ *Ron was my first supervisor with the OCC in the summer of 1979 in Cedar Falls, Iowa. He and I got along well and it was obvious he loved his family very much. I am not surprised he used his musical talents to help others. I send along my sympathy to his family.*
Dennis Dunleavy

Dennis Dunleavy - February 01, 2024 at 08:52 PM



“ *Carol-Doug-Lisa-jeff-ruthri Goodwin purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



Carol-Doug-Lisa-jeff-ruthri Goodwin - February 01, 2024 at 03:25 PM

LG

“ Love, Paul & Christina Garcia purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ronald Neessen.



Love, Paul & Christina Garcia - February 01, 2024 at 01:36 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.



February 01, 2024 at 01:19 PM

UP

“ UnityPoint Health Market Presidents planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.

UnityPoint Health Market Presidents - February 01, 2024 at 01:19 PM

PF

“ Pastor Nathan/Kyndal Green & SB Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ronald Neessen.



Pastor Nathan/Kyndal Green & SB Family - February 01, 2024 at 12:07 PM

PF

“ *Pastor Nathan/Kyndal Green & SB Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.*

Pastor Nathan/Kyndal Green & SB Family - February 01, 2024 at 12:07 PM

DF

“ *Dana and Sam Deines and Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



Dana and Sam Deines and Family - February 01, 2024 at 12:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



February 01, 2024 at 11:07 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



February 01, 2024 at 10:43 AM

LT

“ Leah Glasgo and Fort Dodge Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.

Leah Glasgo and Fort Dodge Team - February 01, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.



February 01, 2024 at 10:40 AM

HC

“ Ron was a classmate in the DeWitt school system. He was a fine athlete and an all around good person. I had the pleasure of visiting him from time to time at his banking position in Moline, Illinois. Rest in Peace my friend.



Harry R. Doughty, Parker, CO - February 01, 2024 at 10:16 AM

TW

“ The Wranosky's purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Ronald Neessen.



The Wranosky's - February 01, 2024 at 07:40 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



January 31, 2024 at 10:41 PM



“ *Friday night Hootenanny will not be the same without Ron. He was such a talented pianist, and a joy to work with. Drummer boy will miss him! Cathy and Steve Carlson.*

Cathy Carlson - January 31, 2024 at 09:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



January 31, 2024 at 04:53 PM



“ *The SVVSD Sped Admin Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ronald Neessen.*



The SVVSD Sped Admin Team - January 31, 2024 at 03:30 PM



“ *The SVVSD Sped Admin Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Neessen.*

The SVVSD Sped Admin Team - January 31, 2024 at 03:30 PM