



Steve "Doc" Grethen

July 10, 1958 - July 29, 2014

Steve "Doc" Grethen, 56, of Carroll, passed away, Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 2, 2014 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Timothy Johnson. Mass servers will be Sam and Jack Poland. Music will be by Sue Feilmeier and the Holy Spirit Choir with Tyler Badding as violinist. Lectors will be Jean Dawson, Toni King and Tim Humlicek. Gift bearers will be Joseph and Katherine Dawson. Eucharistic Minister will be Kathy Kraus. Casket bearers will be: Michael Smith, James Dawson, Martín Camacho, Mark Poland, Mike Humlicek, Tom Humlicek, Ron Hausman, and Frank Milik. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 4:30 p.m. on Friday where there will be a Rosary at 5 p.m. and a Christian Wake Service at 6:30 p.m.

The casket will be moved to Holy Spirit Church at 9 a.m. on Saturday where visitation will resume until the time of the funeral mass.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left for Steve's family at www.sharpfu

neral.com.

Steven Joseph Grethen was born on July 10, 1958, the son of Gene and Millie (Hausman) Grethen. He spent his early years in the Rolfe area, and at a young age his family moved to the Carroll community. He graduated from Kuemper Catholic High School in 1976, and later graduated from Northwest Missouri State University, and Palmer College of Chiropractic. Steve owned and operated Grethen Chiropractic in Ames until the late 1990's, when he began working in the insurance industry. He lived in Ames from 1982 to 2001, and then ten years in Des Moines, before moving to the family home in Carroll in 2011 to help take care of his father, Gene. Steve was a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Carroll.

Survivors include his children: Megan Gainey of Santa Barbara, CA, and Abby Grethen of Arlington, VA; his sister Lisa Bohn (Martín Camacho) of Des Moines, Iowa; his niece Jeannie (James) Dawson of Ft. Dodge; and his nephew Michael Smith of Coon Rapids.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister Jean Marie Grethen; his paternal grandparents: Mary and Jacob Grethen, and his maternal grandparents, Peter and Margaret Hausman.

Tribute Wall

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“ Steve was my Kuemper classmate and friend. Steve was the greatest person. He treated everyone the same and treated all people as though they were special. He always had a smile on his face and it was contagious. I went to visit him @ Methodist Hospital a couple years ago and even in pain he smiled and welcomed me. He talked a lot about Abby and how much he loved her. He was so excited because the doctor was going to release him to go to Okoboji for their annual vacation. You were his world Abby. May all the memories of Steve help to ease your pain and help you through this time. I know all of my memories of Steve put a smile on my face. He will be greatly missed.

Roxane Reed (Sporrer)

Roxane Reed (Sporrer) - August 05, 2014 at 01:50 PM

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“ Today because of sickness, old age, or unforeseen occurrences we lose our loved ones. And because of that some ask is this all there is to life, to grow old, get sick and die? Is what our creator wanted for us? The Bible give satisfying answers to these questions. A God of love does not use Death to separate families. The scriptures plainly shows that Death is our "ENEMY" that will be destroyed by God (read 1 corinthians 15:26). Also the Bible gives much hope for our dead loved ones. (John 5:28&29). During this difficult time the Bible can be a great comfort for your family. You can read these scriptures and more
And more at www.jw.org

Teri Morgan - August 04, 2014 at 08:06 PM

JB

“ I am so sad to hear this news! Steve was such a fun, kind person! Please know that the Grethen family is in my thoughts and prayers.
Joyce (Harman) Baughman

Joyce Baughman - August 03, 2014 at 02:49 PM

 Tranquillity Jo

“ Doc was a great guy! He was my first chiropractor and was sad to see him leave Ames.
I had just been thinking about Doc and what he had been up to. I just learned of his passing an hour ago.
I am SO sorry for your loss. Abby I don't know if you remember me or will see this. But my heart and thoughts go out to you and your entire family.

Tranquillity

Tranquillity Jo - August 03, 2014 at 02:30 PM

JS

“ Sending love and prayers to Steve's family and friends. Steve was a classmate and friend. Steve's parents opened their home to us in high school... I will treasure the memories of time spent with Steve, always enjoyable. Rest in peace :)

Jean Pletchette (Carol Schon) - August 02, 2014 at 09:24 AM



“ Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Steve "Doc" Grethen.



July 31, 2014 at 10:08 PM

JO

“ So sorry to hear this news. Steve was a great guy, and always had a smile for you when you saw him. He will be missed by many.

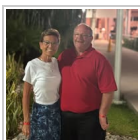
Jean O'Leary - July 31, 2014 at 02:54 PM

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“ Schoessler E. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Steve "Doc" Grethen.



Schoessler E. - July 31, 2014 at 11:15 AM



“ What a loss. Steve was such a kind and caring friend. Always had a smile on his face! Thinking of his family. He will be missed by many.

Vicki Linde - July 30, 2014 at 08:34 PM

 Cindy Fleskes

“ Cindy Fleskes lit a candle in memory of Steve "Doc" Grethen



Cindy Fleskes - July 30, 2014 at 07:25 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Steve's passing. Steve was such a nice guy. We were both graduates of the Class of "76"! My deepest sympathy to his family.



Deb Musfeldt - July 30, 2014 at 06:40 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Steves passing, he was one of the nicest people. The Rolling Hills people were like family when it was small, way back in the 60's and Steve was part of that family. Please keep the good memories in your heart...that will get you through this trying time.

Patt Heithoff Hultman - July 30, 2014 at 06:18 PM



“ My thoughts are with Steve and his family - he was a wonderful person.

Alison Brantley - July 30, 2014 at 03:05 PM



“ Such a sweetheart. You will be so missed. God bless you and keep you close! Sympathies to your family.

Rick & Christie Whitaker

Christie Whitaker - July 30, 2014 at 12:13 PM



“ Steve's family have my sympathy. What a great guy, I graduated with Steve. Eileen Langenfeld

Eileen Langenfeld - July 30, 2014 at 08:48 AM

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I worked with Steve. Great guy & always smiling! You have my sympathy. He will be missed.

Anna Malcom - July 30, 2014 at 07:44 PM

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Just talked to Steve a while back. Always had me laughing. What a guy. I also grew up in rolling hills. We were just all family. You will be missed. Sympathy to your family. Larry & Cheryl (Thielen) Cruchelow

Cheryl (Thielen) Cruchelow - July 30, 2014 at 07:57 PM