



Craig Tweeter Tvedte

May 19, 1944 - September 27, 2012

Craig Allen Tvedte, age 68, of Okoboji, passed away Thursday, September 27, 2012, at his home in Okoboji. He was born on May 19, 1944, in Estherville, Iowa, to Robert and Janice (Ihlan) Tvedte.

Tweeter graduated from North High School in Pheonix, Arizona, in 1961. He was united in marriage to Sevilla Belken on July 11, 1971. Sevilla passed away on July 20, 2012.

Tweeter and Sevilla owned and operated Tweeter's Bar and Lounge for many years, before retiring on July 6, 2007. He enjoyed spending his spare time fishing, golfing, playing cards with his friends, watching the Vikings, the Hawkeyes and Brock play football, watching Josie dance and his trips with his dog, Maggie. Tweeter especially enjoyed his time with his family!

Tweeter is survived by his son, Rob Tvedte, and his wife, Tracy, of Spirit Lake; two grandchildren, Brock and Josie; step-mother, Virginia Tvedte of Phoenix, Arizona; two half-sisters, Marjorie Rasper, and her husband, Brian, of Phoenix, Arizona, and Linda Schneider, and her husband, Alan, of Phoenix, Arizona; special friends, Howard Croner of Estherville, Jeff and Rosemarie Croner of Estherville, and Brian and Annette Croner of Estherville; many aunts and uncles; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Sevilla; and a special friend, Emogene Croner.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 3:00P.M. Friday, October 12, 2012, at the Camp Foster Chapel. A memorial visitation will be held Thursday, October 11, 2012, from 4:00P.M. until 6:00P.M. at the Schuchert Funeral Home in Spirit

Lake. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in Craig's name.

Tribute Wall

EL

“ *Josie's grandpa was awesome and he was very nice. I miss him.
And i am so sorry for robs lost.*

elsie - December 10, 2012 at 07:19 PM

RH

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Renee Hamrick - October 05, 2012 at 07:49 AM

AF

“ *The staff of American Cancer Fund™ at www.AmericanCancerFund.org is sorry to hear of Craig's passing. We have received a memorial donation in his name and our sincere condolences go out to his family.*

American Cancer Fund - October 04, 2012 at 01:45 PM

BN

“ *Rob, Tracy, Brock & Josie
We want to tell you how sorry we are for your loss, not only Craig
but Sevilla too! There are no words to express how we feel!
You guys are in our thoughts and prayers!*

Barb & Jon Neubaum

Barb Neubaum - October 04, 2012 at 11:52 AM

LG

“ Rob, Tracy, Brock & Josie, we all wanted to express our deepest sympathy for your loss. We pray the memories will shine bright forever for you all.

You are all in our hearts and prayers,

Love you all- Larry, Laura, Wyatt & Austin Goetsch

Larry Goetsch - October 03, 2012 at 08:56 AM

“ Dear Rob & All Who Knew & Loved "Tweeter",
Earlier this year, Craig sent me an email asking if I would be in Estherville during 2012 for my 50-year HS class re-union. Regretfully, I replied that I would not be there but would be in the area in 2013. He was excited that we had made contact again after 5 years (at my 45-year HS class re-union in 2007) and wanted to keep in close touch until we could get together again in 2013!

Tweeter has always been a very special friend of mine! From our ages of 9 onwards, we spent countless hours together - doing school homework, playing with toys, riding bikes, going to movies, etc. As adults we even got together on many occasions while we both resided for a short time in Omaha, Nebraska!

During his growing-up years, due to his mother's death, he was raised mostly by Claude & Florence Griffith in Estherville. These were sound and disciplined surroundings! In fact when we studied together, neither of us were allowed to leave Florence's dining room table and go outside until we had thoroughly recited and mastered the next-day's spelling test! Among my many fond childhood memories of Tweeter is his love of chocolate chip cookie dough! As tough as Florence could be, she had a soft spot in her heart for Tweeter! I can't tell you how many times she whipped up a bowl of chocolate chip cookie dough and then handed Craig and me spoons so we could eat the whole batch! Those were the days!

Tweeter received most of his primary education in Estherville schools, although he graduated from high school in the Phoenix, Arizona area where his father lived. Due to his highly successful restaurant in the Arnolds Park/Okoboji area, he was very well known and highly respected by all his former Estherville classmates!

Hard as it is, may we feel some comfort in knowing that Tweeter is now living in a world surrounded by everlasting peace, love, and harmony - until we all meet again.

*God Bless You All,
Dan Pemble
Kissimmee, Florida*

Dan Pemble - October 01, 2012 at 04:22 PM

DL

“*Rob and family, George and I want to extend our sympathy to you all. The Goetch family knows all too well how hard it is to lose family so quickly and with so many. It is hard to rationalize with this happens. I always admired Craig for his family structure through seeing his eyes light up when he was with the grand-kids. He was always a caring man. I always remember the food he would bring to our family gatherings, and he commented on my chocolate pie!!!! He will definitely be missed by many. This is a true characteristic of the man he was by the friends he had! If there is any positive thoughts to your loss it is knowing he and Seville are back together! If there is anything we can do please don't hesitate to ask.*

Deb Letscher - October 01, 2012 at 02:27 PM

JH

“*Rob, Tracy, Brock & Josie....Thinking of you during this tough time. Our hearts go out to your family. Craig was always so involved with Brock and Josie. Always remember the special moments you shared...he will forever be in your hearts. By the way, I have already been asked to take the girls after school to get Dairy Queen. Thanks to Grandpa Tvedte....a tradition that we will have to carry on!!!*

Jeff & Shawna Hamm - October 01, 2012 at 10:47 AM

JP

“*Rob, our sympathy to you and your family. Sorry to hear about your Dad. Jerry and Winnie*

Jerry & Winnie Poock - October 01, 2012 at 09:13 AM

DR

“ Craig loved his pets and always had a big heart when it came to them...they were his babies! I always enjoyed his visits and will miss seeing him driving around with his lab. Sympathy to Rob and family.

Dr. Steve and Lisa Roti - October 01, 2012 at 07:50 AM

SC

“ Cecil would have been one of the first to step forward to shout for the world to know that Tweeter was one great guy. They spend several hours setting in our living room just days before Cecil passed away. They were laughing and telling some great stories. Tweeter had no enemies. He loved his family and they were his life. He will be missed by everyone that ever knew him. God be with the family and help them through this double wammy. My thoughts and prayers will be with you. Hugs to you All !

Sharon Caskey - September 30, 2012 at 07:42 AM

GP

“ Rob, your Dad was an amazing husband, father, grandfather and friend to many people...he touched many lifes with his genorsity over the years. It will be the little things that you will remember, the quiet moments, the smiles, the laughter. And although it may seem hard right now, it will be the memories of these little things that help to push away the pain and bring the smiles back again and turn the memories in to treasures.
Blessings,

Greg Post - September 29, 2012 at 04:03 PM

PM

“ *Tweeter was a true character and an amazing boss. There are so many of us that became a family working for him. He was a friend and father figure to all who worked for him and he would bend over backwards to help any of us. I have so many wonderful memories of him that I can't pick just one. Just know that he will be dearly missed.*

Paula Moir - September 29, 2012 at 02:21 PM

RN

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Rhonda Nelson - September 28, 2012 at 10:45 PM

JO

“ *grandpa was an awesome, fantastic grandpa we will miss him a lot and he will always be in my heart and moms, dads, and brocks we love u grandpa tvedte!!!!*

josie - September 28, 2012 at 09:06 PM

BS

“ *Thinking about you on this tough time.*

Bob Scheib - September 28, 2012 at 07:58 PM

LL

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Lynnae Latham - September 28, 2012 at 06:56 PM

SH

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Sandy Heerdt - September 28, 2012 at 05:46 PM

DA

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Dave & Amy - September 28, 2012 at 02:35 PM

JS

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Jodi Smith - September 28, 2012 at 01:49 PM

EF

“ *We have known the Tvedte family for some time, but it was not until my husband Jon and I opened our restaurant that we really got to see the true spirit and caring of Tweeter. He would always come in to grab food to go, because he was on his way to one of the grandkid's activities. He had a strong love for his family. Our hearts go out to Rob and Tracy and their family. Rest in Peace Tweeter.*

Erica and Jon French - September 28, 2012 at 01:14 PM

NH

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Natalie Hinn - September 28, 2012 at 12:19 PM

KH

“ *Craig Tweeter Tvedte*

Kathi Hinn - September 28, 2012 at 02:09 AM

SH

“ *My favorite memory of Tweeter and Sevilla together was watching them head out to a dinner date while I babysat for infant Robbie. I was a senior in high school. Robbie was a good baby! :^) Our sympathy to Robbie and Tracy.*

Sandy Heerd - September 27, 2012 at 10:29 PM