



## Darrell Frerichs

May 13, 1940 - December 14, 2024

Darrell D. Frerichs, 84, of Lake Park passed away on Saturday, December 14, 2024, at Accura Healthcare of Spirit Lake.

A private family service will be held at the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Arrangements are under the direction of the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Online condolences may left at [www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com](http://www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com) Darrell was born on May 13, 1940, to Harold and Beatrice (Small) Frerichs in Ocheyedan, IA. He graduated from Excelsior High School. He was united in marriage to Arlene Reitsma on September 17, 1967, in Canton, South Dakota. Darrell's day job was primarily as a plumber, but he would have rather spent his time following his true passions; he was an avid rock and fossil hunter with his very own museum. When not hunting rocks or showing them off, he enjoyed other outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, metal detecting, and gardening. He spent countless hours in his garden, and he enjoyed growing and collecting cactuses. In his younger days, he played the drums in various local bands.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife Arlene Frerichs of Lake Park; children, Brad Frerichs of Spirit Lake; Chad (Erin) Frerichs of Milford; Lance (Kristie) Frerichs of Lakefield, MN; Carissa (Kris) Mulder of Lake Park; Jeffery Scott (Weicai) Frerichs of Upper Marlboro, MD; Joey Lynn (Ladianna) Frerichs of Georgetown, TX; Scott Lynn (Kathy) Frerichs of Nixa, MO; William Joe (Jeanne) Frerichs of Yukon, OK and Darrell Duane (Sue Ellen) Frerichs of Jacktown, OK; 26 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, and his sister Linda

(Larry) Kuhrts of Alta, IA.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a great grandson.

# Tribute Wall

BR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this very troubling time. Darrell was a very interesting person to talk to. He had some neat hobbies and loved to share them with everyone. He will surely be missed.

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**Bob and Rita Reimers** - December 18, 2024 at 12:09 PM

SL

“ I spent many delightful hours with Darrell discussing his archaeological collections. He generously shared his time, recollections, and good humor. A true tribute to the passion he brought to the study of Iowa's past would be to have his collections curated at an institution that would continue to share them with other Iowans.

*My sincere condolences. He was a wonderful individual.*

*Steve Lensink  
University of Iowa*

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**STEPHEN C LENSINK** - December 18, 2024 at 09:43 AM

TB

“ Terry Bergendahl lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



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**Terry Bergendahl** - December 17, 2024 at 02:48 PM

SW

“ Stephanie & Randy Wittrock lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



Stephanie & Randy Wittrock - December 17, 2024 at 12:34 PM

GT

“ Sending our heartfelt sympathy to Arlene and family. Working with Darrell at Gross PHC for many years has left many memories of a good friend. Greg and Connie Tolan

Greg /Connie Tolan - December 17, 2024 at 09:52 AM

KK

“ Kevin T. Kuehl lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



Kevin T. Kuehl - December 17, 2024 at 12:42 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Darrell Frerichs.



December 16, 2024 at 10:22 PM

SR

“ *Our sympathy to Arlene and family!*



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**Scott and Rose Robertson** - December 16, 2024 at 09:31 PM

JE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to the Frerichs Family!*



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**John & Maxine. Elser** - December 16, 2024 at 03:48 PM

KW

“ *Kristie & Tim Wintz sent a virtual gift in memory of Darrell Frerichs*



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**Kristie & Tim Wintz** - December 16, 2024 at 02:16 PM

LH

“ *Dear Carissa and Breanne-please accept my heartfelt sympathy. My HLP memories of you are sweet ones. Peace to you~*

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**Laura Hanna** - December 16, 2024 at 10:59 AM

SC

“ *Brad, thoughts and prayers to you and your family. God Bless.*

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**Scott Conrad** - December 16, 2024 at 10:48 AM

YL

“ Your friends and family at G8, LLC purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Darrell Frerichs.



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**Your friends and family at G8, LLC** - December 16, 2024 at 10:23 AM

GB

“ Greg & Dee Baloun lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



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**Greg & Dee Baloun** - December 16, 2024 at 09:57 AM

SG

“ Shon & Missy Gemblor lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



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**Shon & Missy Gemblor** - December 16, 2024 at 09:16 AM

DS

“ Dan Stober planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Darrell Frerichs.

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**Dan Stober** - December 16, 2024 at 06:30 AM

DS

“ *Dan Stober purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Darrell Frerichs.*



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**Dan Stober** - December 16, 2024 at 06:30 AM

TR

“ *Trouba-Strain purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Darrell Frerichs.*



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**Trouba-Strain** - December 15, 2024 at 11:11 PM

DH

“ I have lost a very good friend who has willingly shared his excellent collection of artifacts and all the information that goes with it. Archaeological research has been my profession for the past 50 and more years and Darrell has given me a great deal to further that research. We have toured sites all over northwest Iowa and we have sat and visited long hours in his home. He was a collector's collector who almost compulsively recorded the sites and materials that he found, notable and rare traits. His site information along with many collected objects is shared with other professionals through many donations to the Iowa Office of the State Archaeologist.

Darrell and Arlene always made my wife, Barbara, and me feel 'at home' whenever we visited. I knew that the many colleagues who accompanied me on home/collection visits always felt welcomed as well. Oh, how I wish I could repeat those times just once more.

Condolences and best wishes to family and friends.  
Dale and Barbara Henning

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Dale R. Henning - December 15, 2024 at 03:01 PM

FJ

“ Fran Jungjohan lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



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Fran Jungjohan - December 15, 2024 at 01:58 PM

BB

“ *Bob And Bonnie Boetel lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs*



**Bob and Bonnie Boetel** - December 15, 2024 at 01:12 PM

BF

“ *Barry Forbes lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs*



**barry forbes** - December 15, 2024 at 12:47 PM

JB

“ *So very sorry for your families loss. He was a wonderful man. Hugs and prayers to you all.*  
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**Jim & Annie Bauer** - December 15, 2024 at 10:34 AM

KP

“ *Kathy Perkins lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs*



**Kathy Perkins** - December 15, 2024 at 09:46 AM

MZ

“ *Marlin & Annie Zaiser lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs*



**Marlin & Annie Zaiser** - December 14, 2024 at 10:33 PM

TH

“ *Darrell was one of the truest gentlemen we knew. He always had that mischievous twinkle in his eye, kindest heart, and always ready for a new adventure. He and Terry put alot of miles in looking for artifacts, going to gem shows, fossil digs, turkey hunting and car rides just to talk about what they should do next. He has left a big void that cannot be filled. Our deepest sympathy to Arlean and family.*

*Terry and Mary*

**Terry and Mary Heidebrink** - December 14, 2024 at 10:30 PM

JK

“ *Sorry to have read that Darrell passed away. Have fond memories of him. He was an expert in finding American Indian artifacts and had an incredible personal collection of them. I first met him at the Excelsior school a year or two before it closed.*

**John Krumm** - December 14, 2024 at 10:07 PM

BZ

“ *Brian Ziegler lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs*



**Brian Ziegler** - December 14, 2024 at 09:50 PM

SM

“ Sarah Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Darrell Frerichs



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**sarah mitchell** - December 14, 2024 at 05:03 PM

LA

*So very sorry to learn of Darrell's passing. He generously shared his knowledge of archaeological sites and his vast collection over the years--valuable contributions to the greater history of Iowa. Thank you Darrell and deep condolences to his family on their loss. Lynn Alex*

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**Lynn M. Alex** - December 16, 2024 at 10:16 AM