



Donald A. Kruse

May 21, 1953 - November 16, 2018

Donald A. Kruse, 65, of Arnolds Park passed away unexpectedly at his residence on Friday, November 16, 2018. A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake.

Don was born on May 21, 1953 in Lawton, OK to Alvin and Joyce (Bauman) Kruse. He graduated from high School in Sibley, IA and attended Iowa State University. He was united in marriage to Teresa Vittetoe on February 25, 1989 in Spencer, IA. Don owned and operated Faulkner Plumbing & Heating.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. In Don's free time he enjoyed going boating and enjoying a fine glass of wine and conversation with family and friends. He will be fondly remembered for his whistling of Christmas Carols.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife Teresa Kruse of Arnolds Park; son Ryan and wife Lindsay (Carlson) McGrath of Spirit Lake; daughter Jennifer Bastiaanse and husband Gerard of South Lake, TX; five grandchildren, Conrad, George, Samson, Cady and Annie, his father Alvin Kruse of Arnolds Park; sisters Maureen Breuker and husband Dan of Lake Park; DeLinda Leu and husband Grant of Spencer; Carmen and husband Jim Howard of WI and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother Joyce.

Tribute Wall

BA

“ *Teresa and Family,
Our sincere sympathy goes out to the whole family in your sudden loss! We always enjoyed spending time with both of you on our visits to Okoboji. His smile and sense of humor will be missed by all. You are in our prayers.....
David and Barb Anderson Sheboygan WI*

Barbara Anderson - November 23, 2018 at 08:13 PM

MM

“ *Don was always fun loving! He taught me how to water ski in High School when my brother Grant and his sister DeLinda were courting! He was so patient with me and it is a great memory! God rest your soul, Don!
Our Sincere Sympathy goes out to the whole family!
Sincerely,
Mona and Phil Milne*

Mona Milne - November 21, 2018 at 09:49 AM

GS

“ *Great American Crop Staff purchased the Sentimental Dreams for the family of Donald A. Kruse.*



Great American Crop Staff - November 20, 2018 at 03:24 PM

KK

“ Karen Krieger lit a candle in memory of Donald A. Kruse



Karen Krieger - November 20, 2018 at 01:51 PM

CF

“ Colleen Frederick lit a candle in memory of Donald A. Kruse



Colleen Frederick - November 19, 2018 at 01:52 PM

NW

“ Nancy Wurtz lit a candle in memory of Donald A. Kruse



Nancy Wurtz - November 19, 2018 at 12:26 PM

FF

“ From all of us at The Retreats at Stone Fountain purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Donald A. Kruse.



From all of us at The Retreats at Stone Fountain - November 19, 2018 at 12:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald A. Kruse.*



November 19, 2018 at 10:36 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald A. Kruse.*



November 19, 2018 at 10:25 AM



“ *Teresa and family,
It was an honour to know you and Don through PHCC. He was instrumental in getting the organization started. Sorry for your loss.*

Jeff and Brenda McMillin

Jeff McMillin - November 19, 2018 at 09:53 AM



“ *Janelle Treganza lit a candle in memory of Donald A. Kruse*



Janelle Treganza - November 19, 2018 at 08:10 AM

RP

“ *Teresa and family,*

Rosemary and I offer our sincere sympathy in your sudden loss of Don. We can only echo the words of others that he was quick to offer help, ladders, and great advice to us "newbies." I was looking forward to getting to know Don better this summer. I will miss his wit and mischievous grin. Cherish the good times.

Kurt and Rosemary Paeper

Rosemary Paeper - November 18, 2018 at 06:23 PM

TG

“ *Twyla Garnmeister lit a candle in memory of Donald A. Kruse*



Twyla Garnmeister - November 18, 2018 at 05:14 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Donald A. Kruse.*



November 17, 2018 at 07:13 PM

HK

“ Teresa, Ryan, Lindsay and family,

We are so sorry to hear about Don's sudden passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

God bless!

Dave & Heidi Knox

Heidi Knox - November 17, 2018 at 05:48 PM

JL

“ *Our sympathy to you at the news of the loss of Don. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Rose and Leon Leinen*

Jon Leinen - November 17, 2018 at 02:23 PM

WW

“ *Teresa and family, JoAnn and I were shocked and saddened to learn of Don's passing. He was my midnight hero, just a year ago when he came to my rescue and performed a plumbing miracle! We will miss him. You have our sincere condolences. JoAnn and Bill Wischmeyer*

william wischmeyer - November 17, 2018 at 11:24 AM

BS

“ *Always enjoyed visiting with Don and Teresa at Business after 5. Our sympathy to all his family and friends. God bless and comfort you.*



Bob and Kate Shaw - November 17, 2018 at 09:17 AM

JR

“ Theresa, know that Don will always be with you. Cherish and think often of the many memories you built together. Your friends and neighbors send prayers and much love as your heart heals. Don was a good friend, part of our lives, and will be missed.

Janet & Jonathan Reed - November 16, 2018 at 08:31 PM

BM

“ My condolences go out to Teresa and the family. Don was great company, and I'll miss seeing him around in the summers.
RIP Don

Beau Margeas - November 16, 2018 at 07:49 PM

CB

“ Teresa and Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and All your Family. We have had such great times and have Wonderful Memories and no one can take them from us .
Our Loving arms are around you.
RIP Don We Love You
Terry and Char

Char Bockman - November 16, 2018 at 07:31 PM

CW

“ " We couldn't have asked for a better neighbor. Teresa, Ryan, Jen and all family members, you are in our prayers."

Gary and Carla Welding

Carla Welding - November 16, 2018 at 04:58 PM

DW

“ We are so sorry for your loss.
Diane, Brandon & Katelyn Warburton



Diane Warburton - November 16, 2018 at 03:14 PM

KE

“ *Kathy & Bob Eilers lit a candle in memory of
Donald A. Kruse*



Kathy & Bob Eilers - November 16, 2018 at 02:54 PM

DV

“ *Teresa, Jen, Ryan. We all have to look at the great times we all have
had. Don was great..*

David Vittetoe - November 16, 2018 at 02:28 PM