



Jeff Farrar

June 24, 1964 - September 29, 2018

Jeff Farrar passed away suddenly of cardiac arrest the evening of Sept. 29, 2018, in Okoboji, IA surrounded by and cared for by multiple friends and family members.

Jeff was born on June 24, 1964, in Omaha, NE to his parents, Terrie and Don Farrar. His Childhood was somewhat tumultuous, with he and his siblings, Kelli and Brad, frequently moving and starting anew in multiple schools and locales. Jeff quickly charmed those in his various schools and neighborhoods as he learned to adapt and survive during the crazy 60's and 70's.

Much of his easy charm and earnest desire to please can be credited to the support and guidance of his steadfast and loving grandparents, Mary Delle and Ed Bradley, who, having a love for Okoboji, built their dream summer home on the east shore of West Lake. Throughout all, Jeff and his family had the “rock” of the lake house and summers at Okoboji – anchoring and keeping family ties close. Jeff and his siblings spent idyllic summers at Okoboji with swimming, fishing, diving, exploring, sailing, etc.; and he built life-long relationships with the other children growing up along what was aptly named: “Peanut Butter Beach.”

No surprise, his was a lasting love of the area, especially when he met his wife and only true love, Trish Holtzen, at the Emporium in 1990. Trish & Jeff

were married on the lake house deck overlooking the blue Okoboji waters on August 8, 1992.

Jeff lived in Omaha, NE through his high school and college years and worked at the family business there, eventually taking the reins of Bradleys Flowers when his grandmother retired in 1997. After their marriage, Jeff & Trish lived in Omaha for a few more years, but Okoboji was calling. After starting their family in 2005 with the birth of their twins, Audrey Jane and Caroline Bradley, they moved to the lakes area permanently in 2007. Jeff always respected the lake and his natural surroundings – even helping turtles to cross the street, or going out of his way to pick up cans and trash from the lake as he boated. (He didn't much love the neighborhood turkeys though)

Jeff enjoyed life. Just a few of his stand-out interests and loves were, in no particular order: Hot Wheels collecting, technology: particularly Apple or I-anything, Boating in the Donzi or Whaler with his family, the lower deck of the lake house, Budweiser, American and family history, Otis (his faithful feline companion), Cheeseburgers, COLD deviled eggs, sea-salt caramel truffles, Freemasonry, and MUSIC!

Jeff was a true audiophile, lovingly and passionately collecting and playing music of all genres and eras, especially favoring "The Beatles". He recently completed a renovated space in his basement, dubbed the "Vinyl Room"; complete with hundreds of LPs, Cds and a sound system that was the envy of all his friends. He didn't miss a single concert by Paul McCartney or Tom Petty when they performed in the Midwest.

But the things he prized most weren't made of vinyl; the MOST important to him were God's gifts of his two precious children: Audrey and Caroline; and his wife, Trish. When Caroline was born with Down Syndrome and a heart condition, Jeff was the most loving and helpful partner that Trish could ever

have asked for. He was always there to take Caroline to her multiple doctor's appointments and therapies. He stepped in to do all the things that actually "grossed" Trish out, such as replacing her NG tube or her stomach MIC-KEY if it popped out at school. He loved attending and watching Caroline compete in Special Olympics and seeing her infectious smile!

He doted on Audrey as well. Recently, he secretly restored his own childhood 13-foot Whaler. Jeff couldn't wait to teach Audrey to drive it and get her boater's license. He presented it to her as a gift after keeping it a secret in the garage for almost a year! He was so proud of her and encouraged her as she skippered her own X boat, "THIRTY wONdERful", for the 2018 season, her first ever!

Jeff was a member of the Twilight Masonic Lodge in Spirit Lake Iowa, a member of the Estherville York Rite Bodies and a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason in the Sioux City Consistory. He was also on the Board of Directors for the Okoboji Yacht Club and the Okoboji Yacht Club Sailing School.

Jeff is survived by his daughters, Caroline and Audrey; his wife, Trish Farrar; his brother, Brad Farrar of Okoboji; his sister, Kelli Farrar (Dave Larsen) of Spencer; and his father, Don Farrar (Maria) of Ft Worth, TX.

Jeff is preceded in death by; Mother, Terrie L. Farrar; Grandmother, "Kamma" Mary Delle Bradley; and Grandfather, "Kampa" Edward L. Bradley.

Suggested Memorials to: Okoboji Special Olympics or Okoboji Yacht Club Sailing School

Visitation will be at Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home; Spirit Lake, IA; Friday, October 5, 2018; 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Followed by a Masonic service (all are

welcome). Funeral services to be held at First Lutheran, West Okoboji, IA.
Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018, 11:00 am; with a luncheon to follow

Previous Events

Service

OCT 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
1525 Three Cross Road
Milford, IA 51351
(712) 338-4514

Tribute Wall



“ Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeff Farrar



Robinson Funeral Home - October 04, 2018 at 10:45 AM

RC

“ Jeff was my best friend at Westside High School, 1980. We'd scuba dive occasionally. I don't know what to say. I last communicated with him around 2018 talking about making a visit the him lakeside home after not seeing him in 40 years. I was just feeling well enough to maybe finally make the trip. I go to look him up again, and he has died. I am stunned. So sorry for all who knew him.

Russ Chadwell - October 14, 2020 at 01:44 PM



“ My condolences to Trish and Brad. I just found out about this, as I relied on Jeff to keep me up to speed on all things Farrar/Bradley. We shared a love of the same bands, design, and lake life. He will be sorely missed.

Tony Wise - June 24, 2019 at 10:13 AM

KS

“ Jeff used to come into the Runza on 30th & Farnam when it first opened back in 1983 for his cheeseburger and fries daily. He was a great guy with the biggest smile on his face every time. A man with a true heart of gold. My deepest sympathies to all his loved ones. He will be missed by all that knew him.



Karie Braget Sloup

Karie Sloup - November 24, 2018 at 11:18 AM

LE

“ Mike and I would like to express our deepest sympathy to Trish and the girls. Jeff was such a unique and kind soul. We are sure he will be greatly missed.



Mike and LaDonna Eriksen

LaDonna Eriksen - October 11, 2018 at 07:18 PM

GC

“ Jeff Farrar was blessed with two daughters Caroline the swimmer and Audrey the sailer, wife Trish, brother Brad, sister Kelli, and Brother in law Dave Larsen. My thoughts and prayers are with Jeff's family and friends during this time.
Greg Coy

Greg Coy - October 05, 2018 at 02:30 PM

AH

“ Annie & Hans Hoffmeister lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



Annie & Hans Hoffmeister - October 05, 2018 at 12:44 PM



“ Kimberly Quirin lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



Kimberly Quirin - October 05, 2018 at 11:55 AM

RF

“ Robin Farrar-Strycker lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



Robin Farrar-Strycker - October 05, 2018 at 11:29 AM

NW

“ Nancy Wurtz lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



Nancy Wurtz - October 05, 2018 at 08:23 AM

Eileen Graves

“ I am SO SORRY to learn of this. I got to know the Bradley family, through the Dillons - including many Xmas Eves, when Jeff was a toddler. I am heartened to see the tribute to Mary Dell and Ed, who WERE his rocks. His Mom, Terri, was truly unique & REAL; his sister, Kelli, is an amazing young woman (& such an accomplished sailor), and his brother, Brad, a staple (and great at it) of the OYC. The Bradley/Farrar names are, truly, a Lake blessing. Know that there are many hugs out there...Eileen G (Gildemeister-Graves)

Eileen Graves - October 04, 2018 at 07:02 PM

AP

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Archer Prewitt - October 04, 2018 at 06:22 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Jeff Farrar.



October 03, 2018 at 09:51 PM

DS

“ There are many wonderful memories I have of riding in the Whaler or Donzi, long chats by the fish pond near your boathouse or on the bank between your house and my grandma's, Mrs. Lady's, sitting on the hammock goofing around, hanging out downstairs dancing to Fleetwood Mac, even taking turns with Kampa for "way up high on the mountain top..."etc. I remember your birthday parties as a kid, Fourth of July, jumping on the trampoline at the Prewitt's house, visiting you at Kamma's and Westside in Omaha, and so many other good times. While I haven't seen you in decades, I'll always remember you as the first guy I ever thought was cool, and a kind and good friend who was a part of some of my best memories of growing up. You will be missed. Love and prayers to your family.

Dianne (King) Sedlar - October 03, 2018 at 09:36 PM

KF

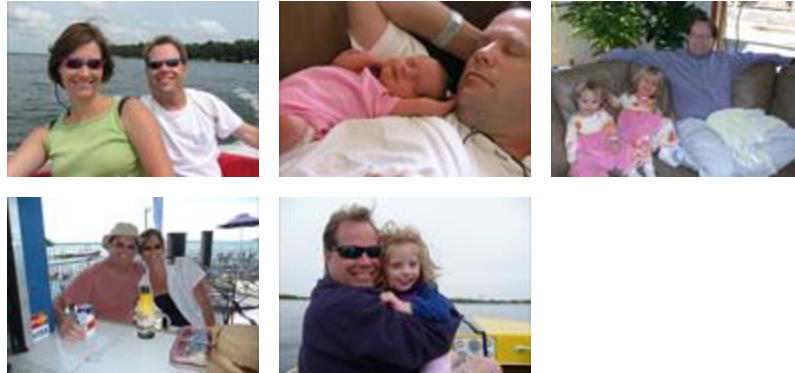
“ Ken Farmer lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



Ken Farmer - October 03, 2018 at 09:35 PM

KF

“ 9 files added to the album Jeff



Kelli L Farrar - October 03, 2018 at 02:28 PM

RH

“ Godspeed to my brother from another mother! We shared so many things together in common like music, Donzi's, Whalers, Freemasonry and anything of historical significance. His caring spirit, love and compassion will truly be missed.

Royce Humphreys - October 03, 2018 at 02:21 PM

ME

“ Missie Theodosen & Mike "Ernie" Eddy lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



Missie Theodosen & Mike "Ernie" Eddy - October 03, 2018 at 02:00 PM

DS

“ David, Gina & Sophia purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Jeff Farrar.



David, Gina & Sophia - October 03, 2018 at 01:57 PM

CM

“ Christine Murphy lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



christine murphy - October 03, 2018 at 12:42 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeff Farrar.



October 03, 2018 at 10:08 AM

JE

“ John & Renee Eddy lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar



John & Renee Eddy - October 02, 2018 at 11:00 PM

JE

“ *John, Renee, & Rachel Eddy lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar*



John, Renee, & Rachel Eddy - October 02, 2018 at 10:58 PM

MB

“ *Mel And Clarys Berryhill lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar*



Mel and Clarys Berryhill - October 02, 2018 at 05:26 PM



“ *Danette Schultz Tolan lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar*



Danette Schultz Tolan - October 02, 2018 at 02:22 PM

SH

“ *I was able to get to know Jeff when I was Caroline's in home teacher. I always enjoyed my conversations with him and he was certainly a walking encyclopedia of musical facts! Trish, my thoughts are with you and the girls.*

Sally Villegas Howard - October 02, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Jeff Farrar.* ”



October 02, 2018 at 11:22 AM



“ *Kristie & Tim Wintz sent a virtual gift in memory of Jeff Farrar* ”



Kristie & Tim Wintz - October 02, 2018 at 11:09 AM



“ *12 files added to the album Jeff* ”



Kelli L Farrar - October 02, 2018 at 06:40 AM

EB

“ *Trish*
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Ernie Bredar



Ernie Bredar - October 02, 2018 at 06:25 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Jeff Farrar.*




October 01, 2018 at 10:35 PM

VW

“ *VICKI WILLISON lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar*



VICKI WILLISON - October 01, 2018 at 10:15 PM

 Cris Hay-Merchant

“ *Jeff was a truly good man and friend. He will be missed by all those who had the privilege of knowing him. To Trish, Caroline and Audrey, and Jeff's family, we are so sorry for your loss. Our hearts are broken for you.*

Cris Hay-Merchant - October 01, 2018 at 09:25 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Jeff Farrar.*



October 01, 2018 at 09:16 PM



“ *Dear Farrar Family:*

No one can ever replace the amazing person, husband, father, brother, and son that Jeff was. Our thoughts, prayers and well-wishes are with you all during this time of sorrow and grief in your lives. Jeff: You will be remembered well and missed always.

Babs and David Liesveld



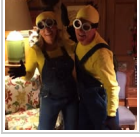
Babs and David Liesveld - October 01, 2018 at 03:55 PM



“ *David And Rose Farrar lit a candle in memory of Jeff Farrar*



David and Rose Farrar - October 01, 2018 at 11:30 AM



“ *Jeff shared light and song and fire with us all day Saturday. That is what I'll remember! Family...you are in my thoughts and I pray for peace to come to you.*

Jacque Schwartz - October 01, 2018 at 08:59 AM