



## Joseph "Joe" Janecek III

December 6, 1950 - January 23, 2015

Joseph "Joe" John Janecek III, age 64, lived in Spirit Lake with his wife, Cher. Joe passed away of heart failure on Friday January 23, 2015 at Lakes Regional Hospital in Spirit Lake.

Joe was born in Detroit Lakes, MN on December 6, 1950 to Joseph John Janecek II and Jeannette Jeral. He married the love of his life, Cher Drager on August 24, 1979 in Mandan, ND. Joe loved to hunt and fish. His other hobbies were woodworking, painting, needlepoint, beadwork, working in his flower beds and most of all spending time with his wife. He also enjoyed visits from his step children and step grandchildren.

He is survived by his mother, Jeannette Johnson of Detroit Lakes, MN; his wife, Cher of Spirit Lake; two step children, Willy (Dana) Fetch of Rapid City, SD and Lori Fetch and her fiancée Keith Jolin of Elk Point, SD; eight step grandchildren, Heather (Scott) Johnson of Canton, SD, Joshua Klein and his fiancé Chelsea Thompson of Hurley, SD, Nicole Klein of Sioux Falls, SD, Jeffrey Fetch and Jamee Fetch of Bismark, ND, Tyler Granaden and his fiancée Jess Jenson, Nickalas Finney and his fiancé Laressa Jensen all of Rapid City, SD; five step great grandchildren, Natalie, Baylee, Briley, Breanna and Zhane; aunts; and a number of cousins.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Gary and David Janecek; step-

father, Harlan Johnson; father, Joseph John Janecek II; and uncles.

Memorial services will be 11:00 AM Wednesday at Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake, with Rev. David Drager officiating. Visitation will be 9:30 AM until service time Wednesday at Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home. Burial will be at a later date in Detroit Lakes, MN.

# Tribute Wall

SA

“ *Did he live in England in the 50's and go by the nickname of Jo Jo? If so, I have some pictures that I would like to share with you.*

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**Sheryl Andrews** - August 22, 2015 at 04:23 PM

KR

“ *So Sorry for your loss, I really enjoyed meeting you two. Joe was a great guy and very fun to talk to! This news is very sad, my condolences*

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**Kirt Kelsey (Five Star Roofing)** - January 27, 2015 at 10:25 PM

CS

“ *Joseph "Joe" Janecek III*

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**Chad Schuchert** - January 27, 2015 at 09:29 AM

CW

“ *Cher,  
We were so sorry to hear of Joe's passing and know he will be greatly missed. He always had a smile for everyone. Please accept our sympathy.*

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**Connie & Bill Wymer** - January 27, 2015 at 07:16 AM

AH

“ *Cher,  
Will always remember the hunting, fishing and bowling that we enjoyed together. My prayers are with you.  
Al Hicks*

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**Al Hicks** - January 25, 2015 at 01:45 PM

JK

“ Cher. Thoughts and prayers go out to you. It's a tough break my dear. I lost Hank in April and I still miss him. Be strong going ahead. If there is anything I can do please call me. Lori and Willy have my number. Call me just to talk. I'm here for you...Love you Cher...

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**Jeanette Kewatt** - January 24, 2015 at 07:57 PM

BB

“ Joe and Ed worked together for many years at Ferguson Manufacturing (at the old building). They spent many evenings playing chess and swapping stories. Cher, his wife, made blankets for each of our kids when they were born--my kids' favorite blankets (the ones they still look for when they need comfort). Brianna's blanket disappeared the day my dad (her Grandpa) died, and Cher kindly made her another similar blanket, which is still Brianna's favorite. I sure am glad Ed was there to greet Joe, and that both of their diseased hearts are now completely whole and healthy again, and that they can go back to those games of chess that they both enjoyed so much. But my heart is aching for Cher and for all the changes that lie ahead for her. I never saw one of them without the other. Joe and Cher took such good care of each other and both had such positive attitudes despite their many hardships. R.I.P. Joe Janecek. You will be missed.

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**Bethany Brands** - January 24, 2015 at 06:27 PM

TA

“ Joe was a great guy, have known him ever since he moved to town. I will never forget the pheasant and the lunch bucket. Our private joke.

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**Tony Andersen** - January 24, 2015 at 09:20 AM

HL

“ Joe always brought a smile to my face when I saw him at the hospital. No matter how rough he was feeling he always had a great attitude. I'm so glad we have the beaded hot air balloon he made for us to remember him by. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

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**Holli Zimmerman (Pt Reg at LRH)** - January 23, 2015 at 04:23 PM