



Ken Tomlinson

August 26, 1942 - March 17, 2013

Kenneth E. Tomlinson, age 70, of Spirit Lake, passed away Sunday, March 17, 2013, at his home in Spirit Lake. He was born on August 26, 1942, in Stuart, Iowa, to Chester and Maudie (Baker) Tomlinson.

Ken graduated from East High School in Des Moines in 1960, where he excelled in school and wrestling. He married his life-long friend and sweetheart, Nancy Warren on October 20, 1960, in Lakewood, California. They have four children, Ken, Rebecca, Rodney and Kyle.

Ken worked for North American Autonetics and as a fireman, before enrolling and graduating from the Police Academy in 1971. He worked for the Santa Anta Police Department in Santa Anta, California, for 27 years, before retiring in 1998. Ken and Nancy moved to Spirit Lake to enjoy their retirement.

Ken was a member of the Santa Anta Police Department VA and Kiwanis, in Santa Anta and Spirit Lake. He enjoyed spending his spare time ocean fishing, dirt biking, racing motor-cross, playing cribbage, playing soccer and football and the time he spent with his family. Ken also coached his children's baseball and football teams.

Ken is survived by his wife, Nancy Tomlinson of Spirit Lake; daughter, Rebecca Fowler of Spirit Lake; three sons, Ken Tomlinson, and his wife, Deborah of Dallas, Texas, Rodney Tomlinson, and his wife, Lisa of Mission Viejo, California, and Kyle Tomlinson, and his wife, Brooke of Spirit Lake; sister, Betty Rae Stradley of Des Moines; brother, Robert Tomlinson, and his wife, Elva of San Jacinto, California; eight grandchildren, Evan, Sean, Ian,

Bryanna, Brandy, Bailey, Brandon and Andrew; and great-granddaughter, Lainey. He was preceded in death by his parents; and two sisters, Doris Muskathel and Shirley Smith.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00A.M. Monday, March 25, 2013, at the Schuchert Funeral Home. Visitation will be held Sunday, from 4:00P.M. until 6:00P.M. at the Schuchert Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in Ken's name to the Santa Anta POA-Widows & Orphans Fund, 1607 N. Sycamore St., Santa Anta, CA, 92701.

Tribute Wall

DF

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Don Fox - March 27, 2013 at 07:59 AM

NH

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Nina and Jim Hayden - March 25, 2013 at 03:28 AM

LF

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Linda & Marty Fuller - March 23, 2013 at 04:32 PM

LM

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Louie Martinez - March 22, 2013 at 10:43 PM

DE

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Don Elmore - March 22, 2013 at 10:15 PM

SL

“ *Dear Nancy and family, We send our sympathies to you at this time.
We send our prayers for you at this sad time.*

Stan and Colleen Lemkuil - March 22, 2013 at 07:47 PM

DJ

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

David Jones - March 22, 2013 at 04:37 PM

RO

“ Ken Tomlinson

Ray "OJ" Ojeda - March 22, 2013 at 04:12 PM

MM

“ Ken Tomlinson

Michelle Miller - March 22, 2013 at 04:06 PM

LB

“ http://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10100671988471757&set=a.639188833537.2229719.24612508&type=1&relevant_count=1&ref=nf

Lainey Bone - March 22, 2013 at 02:55 PM

RI

“ Ken Tomlinson

Ron Irwin - March 22, 2013 at 01:14 PM

CP

“ Ken Tomlinson

Collie Provence - March 22, 2013 at 01:01 PM

JS

“ Ken Tomlinson

Jim Seleno - March 22, 2013 at 12:47 PM

JD

“ Ken Tomlinson

John Diehl - March 22, 2013 at 11:32 AM

RE

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Randy Eldridge - March 22, 2013 at 10:37 AM

NR

“ *Ken Tomlinson*

Nicole Riordan - March 21, 2013 at 06:23 PM

CK

“ *We'll miss seeing Ken "cruising" the neighborhood in his truck and sitting in the driveway keeping Jake company in the summer! And I'm sure Hoot will miss visiting him too! :)*

Chris, Laura, Luke and Jessie Kabele - March 21, 2013 at 05:21 PM

MM

“ *To the Family of Ken, thinking of you at this difficult time...will miss seeing him around the neighborhood. Our prayers are with you..Mike & Kari Mazur*

Mike & Kari Mazur - March 20, 2013 at 10:07 AM

PR

“ *Dear Nancy and family,
So saddened to hear about Ken. I remember seeing him chase/yell at the dog this past fall as I was raking and mowing John's yard. I knew he was having some difficulty but he always seemed to pull through. My thoughts and prayers go to you all.
Peg Rick*

Peg Rick - March 20, 2013 at 09:59 AM

MA

“ Uncle Ken, This isnt goodbye but see you later. You will be missed dearly by many many people. I havent been able to see you in a long time but you and Nancy and the family are always in my thoughts and in my heart. Rest in Peace and I'll see you on the other side some day! LOVE YOU!

Mariah - March 20, 2013 at 09:27 AM

GC

“ Ken Tomlinson

Greg Clark - March 19, 2013 at 10:36 PM

DK

“ Uncle Kenny,

We love you and miss you and will never forget the great times we had. We'll miss your great laugh.

Love you,

Dickie and Kathy - March 19, 2013 at 06:11 PM

BS

“ Dear Brother

Sorry you left so soon. I love you and miss you.

Love, Betty R

Betty Stradley - March 19, 2013 at 06:05 PM

KB

“ Ken we will miss you at HyVee in the morning. We enjoyed your quick wit and stories of California.

Kim and the 6am boys - March 19, 2013 at 04:51 PM

JF

“ Ken Tomlinson

John Foote - March 19, 2013 at 12:12 PM

SH

“ Ken you were like a brother & we had so much fun in California with you Nancy & family. Thats what memories are made of & that is what will be remembered. You will be missed but not forgotten. much love.

Sandy & Homer - March 19, 2013 at 11:59 AM

VP

“ Ken you will be greatly missed by our family and our great get togethers.

Love,
Verdis and Pat

Verdis and Pat - March 19, 2013 at 10:33 AM

DT

“ Ken Tomlinson

Debbie Tomlinson - March 19, 2013 at 09:04 AM

JH

“ Ken Tomlinson

Jim and Kristin Hayden - March 18, 2013 at 07:39 PM

SS

“ Ken Tomlinson

Scott Senese - March 18, 2013 at 06:13 PM

RT

“ Ken Tomlinson

Rodney Tomlinson - March 18, 2013 at 05:15 PM

BA

“ I love you Papa. I miss you and you will always be in my memory.

Bailey - March 18, 2013 at 01:13 PM

NI

“ Kyle and the rest of your family.. My thoughts and prayers are with you guys during this time! From the few times I got to meet and talk to your dad, I enjoyed it alot! He was friendly and funny! Love you all
Nicole

Nicole - March 18, 2013 at 01:01 PM

BB

“ Ken Tomlinson

Bryanna Bone - March 18, 2013 at 12:37 PM

RF

“ Ken Tomlinson

Rebecca Tomlinson Fowler - March 18, 2013 at 12:35 PM

RR

“ Ken Tomlinson

Roger and Ruth Reppert - March 18, 2013 at 09:18 AM

KT

“ Ken Tomlinson

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ST

“ Ken Tomlinson

Sean Tomlinson - March 18, 2013 at 02:39 AM

RW

“ Ken Tomlinson

Rick Walstad - March 17, 2013 at 06:56 PM

A(

“ Dear Grandpa, you will never know how much I appreciated you and the influence you had on our family. You have given my dad Rodney so much knowledge that he has passed down to me and my brother. Rest in Peace

Andrew (grandson) - March 17, 2013 at 04:37 PM

KY

“ From your loving son, Dad I am going to miss you so much! You're such a wonderful father and thank you for being you. Miss and love you always, your son Kyle!

Kyle - March 17, 2013 at 02:35 PM

BR

“ Love you Ken...forever in our thoughts and hearts. You will be missed greatly!

Brooke - March 17, 2013 at 02:28 PM

KT

“ Ken Tomlinson

Kyle Tomlinson - March 17, 2013 at 02:23 PM

BT

“ Ken Tomlinson

Brooke Tomlinson - March 17, 2013 at 02:22 PM

YR

“ Dad I love you..... You will missed by many

Your son Rodney - March 17, 2013 at 02:08 PM