



John Frederic Cordes

January 19, 1960 - March 26, 2026

John Cordes, 66, of Allison, Iowa, passed away on Thursday, March 26, 2026. Visitation will be from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, at Trinity Reformed Church in Allison. The funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 1, also at Trinity with interment following at Allison Cemetery. Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory, Allison is caring for John and his family.

John Frederic Cordes was born January 19, 1960, in Hampton, Iowa, to Wilbur and Greta (Oltmann) Cordes. He graduated from Allison-Bristow High School in 1978. He attended Iowa State University and graduated with a degree in Agriculture. John worked for Sinclair Elevator Feed Mill in Parkersburg for almost 40 years until his retirement in 2025.

On November 23, 1984, John was united in marriage with Jody Anderson in Collins, Iowa. They moved to Allison and were blessed with five children: Casey, Katy, Sam, Jack, and Betsy. Throughout their childhoods, John was their AWANA leader and their 4-H leader.

John was a man of strong faith and devoted his life to the Lord through baptism on September 7, 2003. He attended Trinity Reformed Church in Allison. John also devoted his life to agriculture. He farmed alongside his father and sons at the family farm in Allison. Raising cattle was another

passion in John's life. He showed cattle in 4-H as a teenager and then went on to care for the family's herd with his father and sons. John also loved watching sports and was an avid Iowa State fan.

Of all that he did in his life, his role as a grandpa was his favorite. He loved attending the grandchildren's school events, playing outside with them, and letting them help him on the farm.

John is survived by Jody, children Casey, Sam (Ami), Jack (Amber), and Betsy as well as 8 grandchildren Claire, Will, Bo, Drew, Anna, Ellie, Sonny, and Walker with one more arriving in May, his mother Greta, sisters Suzanne Moore, Sara (Paul) Martin, Lisa Cordes, Emily (Matt) Pittenger, brother-in-law Jimmy (Sherry) Anderson, along with many nieces and nephews.

John was preceded in death by his daughter Katy, father Wilbur, mother-in-law Carolyn Anderson, brother-in-law Mike Moore, and nephew Ryan Moore.

Cemetery Details

Allison Cemetery

IA-14
Allison, IA 50602

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Reformed Church
614 Cherry Street
Allison, IA 50602

Funeral service

APR 1. 10:30 AM (CT)

Trinity Reformed Church
614 Cherry Street
Allison, IA 50602

Tribute Wall

TT

“ Taylor and Tanya purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



Taylor and Tanya - April 01 at 12:41 AM

AS

“ Jody so sorry for your loss. Love much Ann Schott

Ann Schott - March 31 at 12:13 PM

LM

“ Love Jodi, Kristine, Jess, Marner purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



Love Jodi, Kristine, Jess, Marner - March 31 at 12:47 AM

FB

“ From Mike and Keri Byrum purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



From Mike and Keri Byrum - March 30 at 09:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



March 30 at 08:35 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My heartfelt prayers and condolences to the Cordes family.*

Rhonda Schilling - March 30 at 05:51 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



March 30 at 05:20 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Frederic Cordes.*

March 30 at 05:20 PM



“ *Taylor J. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



Taylor J. - March 30 at 04:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Frederic Cordes.

March 30 at 02:33 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



March 30 at 02:33 PM



“ Jody and family,
We are heartbroken for all of you. There no real words to express that. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Angie and Roger Baker

Mary Baker - March 30 at 02:13 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



March 30 at 01:55 PM

FF

“ From Dayton, Austin & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



From Dayton, Austin & Family - March 30 at 01:45 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



March 30 at 01:26 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.



March 30 at 12:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Frederic Cordes.

March 30 at 12:26 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



March 30 at 12:26 PM



“ *Lisa, I am sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time.*

Michelle Carter - March 30 at 08:45 AM



“ *Jay M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Frederic Cordes.*

Jay M. - March 30 at 07:21 AM



“ *Mackenzie and the LV ISU alumni group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Frederic Cordes.*

Mackenzie and the LV ISU alumni group - March 29 at 11:57 PM

MG

“ *Mackenzie and the LV ISU alumni group purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



Mackenzie and the LV ISU alumni group - March 29 at 11:57 PM

TF

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to the Cordes family in this difficult time. May your family feel God's strength and comfort in your time of need.*

The Fendrick family - March 29 at 11:41 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



March 29 at 09:28 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Frederic Cordes.*

March 29 at 08:32 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



March 29 at 08:32 PM



“ *Bob & Lynne Schueler Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Frederic Cordes.*

Bob & Lynne Schueler Family - March 29 at 07:47 PM



“ *Bob & Lynne Schueler Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



Bob & Lynne Schueler Family - March 29 at 07:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Frederic Cordes.*



March 29 at 05:39 PM