



Michael Carlberg

June 27, 1953 - March 24, 2026

Michael Carlberg, 72, of Iowa Falls, passed away Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at his Iowa Falls residence. A memorial visitation will be held from 5-7 PM on Thursday, April 2, 2026 at Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory in Hampton. Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Mike and his family.

Michael Linn Carlberg was born on June 27, 1953 to Delmond and Malinda (Koth) Carlberg. He graduated from Iowa Falls High School with the Class of 1971. Mike worked as a welder and mechanic for Weaver Construction/Martin Marietta in Alden, Iowa, until his retirement after more than 45 years.

A passionate stock car driver, Mike was a well-known face in local racing, beginning in 1973. Over the years, he won multiple track championships and became a beloved staple in the racing community. In 1986, Mike's love of racing expanded into Dirt Track Products, which he operated alongside his brother Denny, building cars for fellow racers. This transition gave him the opportunity to mentor young drivers, something he truly enjoyed. In recognition of his racing legacy, Mike was inducted into the Hamilton County Speedway Hall of Fame.

Mike was also known for his generosity and quiet acts of kindness. Over the years, he made numerous charitable contributions, including an anonymous

donation of 15 bicycles for local children in 2017. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need.

If you knew Mike, you knew his beloved dog, Izzy. Rarely were his pockets without dog treats, happily shared during their daily walks and frequent trips to the dog park.

Mike is survived by his step-son, Adam (Laura) Thompson of New Jersey; siblings, Dennis (Holly) Carlberg of Iowa Falls, Iowa, Lynelle Carlberg of Parkersburg, Iowa and Angela Norpel of Mesa, Arizona; step-siblings, Brett (Beth) Thies, Tony (Mari) Thies, Ann (Tom) Humphrey, Bruce (Laura) Thies and Jill (Kenny) Agan. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, that he loved spending time with and whom he delighted in surprising with his handcrafted toys.

He was preceded in death by his father, Delmond Carlberg; his mother, Malinda Thies; his stepfather, Franklin Thies and infant nephew, Terrill Alan Dannen.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations will be directed by the family to honor Mike's racing legacy. Mike will be deeply missed by all those who knew him.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hampton - Woodley Funeral Home
306 Central Ave. East
Hampton, IA 50441
(641) 456-3232

Tribute Wall



“ I just heard yesterday about Mike's passing, and I was so sorry to hear this sad news. I only knew him from the vet clinic, but he was such a nice man and had the best relationship with his sweet girl Izzy. My heart goes out to his family and friends.

Liz Hill - April 08 at 08:23 AM



“ I am so heartbroken to hear of Mike's passing to the light, I hope it was peaceful. May he remain the kind soul that he is in all our hearts. I am glad to have heard that his sweet girl Izzy is being well cared for and we will miss seeing him with her at the IF Dog Park/Foster Park. All their friends at the Dog Park would love to see her - on behalf of my dog Wayland and myself, this kind gentleman and character will be missed.



Bernal Koehrsen III - April 02 at 11:55 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Michael Carlberg.



April 02 at 08:04 AM

MB

“ *Enjoyed watching Mike race back in the day.
So sorry for your loss.*



Mark and Lisa (Smith) Brannick - April 01 at 08:06 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Michael Carlberg.*



March 31 at 05:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Michael Carlberg.*



March 31 at 09:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Michael Carlberg.*



March 31 at 02:02 AM

DL

“ Doug, Lucas, & Lynzie purchased the "Always By Your Side" Cardinal Stained Glass Memorial Wind Chime for the family of Michael Carlberg.



Doug, Lucas, & Lynzie - March 30 at 11:24 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Carlberg.



March 30 at 07:24 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Michael Carlberg.



March 30 at 04:55 PM

SM

“ Steve Morreale purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Michael Carlberg.



Steve Morreale - March 29 at 10:59 AM

SM

“ Steve Morreale planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Carlberg.

Steve Morreale - March 29 at 10:59 AM

MR

“ I remember.

Mary Jo Rameyer - March 28 at 10:37 AM

CB

“ Mike was a special friend of ours! We looked forward to hearing his stories when we were visiting with him! We will certainly miss his visits, and we extend our sympathies to his family! We will donate to an organization that supports dogs and their wonderful friends! Mike loved his Izzy!! That is why Izzy ate steak 🍖 a lot!! She deserved the BEST!!



Cort and Peg Van Buskirk - March 27 at 04:18 PM

DA

“ Doug, Kim, Grant & Collin Ausbury purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Michael Carlberg.



Doug, Kim, Grant & Collin Ausbury - March 27 at 01:37 PM

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“ Doug, Kim, Grant & Collin Ausbury planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Carlberg.

Doug, Kim, Grant & Collin Ausbury - March 27 at 01:37 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Michael Carlberg.*



March 26 at 09:05 PM



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

March 26 at 09:05 PM



“ *Arthur and Juanice Oldham purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael Carlberg.*



Arthur and Juanice Oldham - March 26 at 07:21 PM



“ *Arthur and Juanice Oldham planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Carlberg.*

Arthur and Juanice Oldham - March 26 at 07:21 PM

RE

“ Went to school with Mike always a pleasure to see him and Izzy



Rochelle Ann Elliott - March 26 at 07:04 PM

LC

“ Linda & Marshall Christensen lit a candle in memory of Michael Carlberg



Linda & Marshall Christensen - March 26 at 12:01 PM

MR

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mike's passing.



Marcia Renken - March 25 at 08:53 PM

KR

“ Had many talks with Mike in Foster Park. So sad to hear of his passing.



Karen Reuter - March 25 at 02:00 PM

KW

“ *Kathy Wilson lit a candle in memory of Michael Carlberg*



kathy wilson - March 25 at 01:51 PM

KW

The best neighbor ever

kathy wilson - March 25 at 01:52 PM

TH

“ *Tammy Haggard lit a candle in memory of Michael Carlberg*



Tammy Haggard - March 25 at 11:40 AM

MS

A friend / racer / car builder... built some fast Modifieds for Mike , Rest Peacefully Mike 🙏, Mike and Marji Smith

Marji Smith - March 25 at 03:49 PM

KJ

“ *Kim And Steve Johnson lit a candle in memory of Michael Carlberg*



kim and steve johnson - March 24 at 09:10 PM

DB

“ Donna Wubbena & Mark Butler lit a candle in memory of Michael Carlberg



Donna Wubbena & Mark Butler - March 24 at 06:17 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Carlberg.



March 24 at 05:43 PM



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March 24 at 05:43 PM

BP

“ It was always a pleasure to run into Mike and Izzy all over town. We enjoyed visiting while our dogs played together. We will surely miss him.

Barbara Pomeroy - March 24 at 04:57 PM

JF

I am so sad to hear this! My Archie (dog) adores Mike and Izzy - he knew the sound of Mike's truck and would start whining and pulling me. Every walk he would try to pull me into Mike's driveway. Izzy would come over to my house and want to come in long enough to say hi and then go off and run. I'm so sad!! Mike will be terribly missed. My prayers are with his family and all who will miss Mike. And I pray for Izzy!

Jean Foley - March 24 at 09:03 PM