



Raymond Smith

November 12, 1949 - September 17, 2025

Raymond Lester Smith, 75, of Greene, passed away on September 17, 2025, at Nora Springs Care Center. Funeral services will be 10:30, Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at Saint Mary Catholic Church in Greene. Raymond will be laid to rest at the Hill Side Cemetery following the service. A public visitation will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 22, at Woodley Funeral Home in Greene. Woodley Funeral Home of Greene is caring for Raymond and his family.

Raymond was born on November 12, 1949, in Charles City to Lester and Marie (Albers) Smith. From a young age he always wanted to be a farmer, he was proud to have known how to drive a tractor from the age of five. He was a graduate of Rockford High School with the class of 1967, and attended Iowa State University for a winter program in farming. On March 3, 1973, he married the love of his life, Karen Carpenter, at Holy Name Catholic Church in Shell Rock, Iowa. The two would celebrate 52 years together working side by side almost every day on the farm. From this union they were blessed with two daughters, Sheila and Marcia.

Raymond was known for being a hard worker and never left a task unfinished. When he had free time in the spring, he and Karen would travel the backroads looking for asparagus, always finding far too much for just themselves. Over 100 lbs. would be given to family and friends most years. He had a comical side, always one for a good laugh and a well-timed joke. Raymond always

enjoyed a good game of cards with family and friends.

Left to cherish Raymond's memory are his wife of 52 years, Karen; daughters, Sheila Smith and Marcia Wilsey; and granddaughters, Kaitlin and Leah Wilsey.

He is preceded in death by his parents Lester and Marie, and sister Linda (Larry) Brandau.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Cemetery

Marble Rock, IA 50653

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **22**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Greene - Woodley Funeral Home
519 N 1St St
Greene, IA 50636
(641) 823-4457

Funeral service

SEP **23**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St Mary's Church
105 N Main St
Greene, IA 50636-7750
(641) 823-4146

Tribute Wall

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“ Mark, Lori, Barb and their families. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond Smith.

Mark, Lori, Barb and their families. - September 20, 2025 at 02:24 PM

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“ Mark, Lori, Barb and their families. purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Raymond Smith.



Mark, Lori, Barb and their families. - September 20, 2025 at 02:24 PM

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“ Karen & family- Just learned of Raymond's passing- so very sorry for your loss. Hugs and prayers for comfort to you all! Love, Twila & Charlie

Twila Dietz - September 17, 2025 at 11:13 PM

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My condolences, May he rest in peace. LaVon Steere

LaVon Steere - September 18, 2025 at 08:30 PM



Ohhhh. Karen abd Girls..... So so so very Dorry to read this about Raymond.... I didn't make it over to Nora Springs to Visit and I sure won't be Now.... Our deepest Sympathy to You and the Girls Karen.... He will certainly be Missed by so many!!!! Think of Him alot when Clyde and I play the Card Game of "500" and how Raymond l8ved playing that and he Could Play it Very Well!!!!!!

Judy Grey - September 19, 2025 at 12:29 AM



Ooops!!! Should be Sorry and then loved!!!!

Judy Grey - September 19, 2025 at 12:31 AM



Karen and Family, our sincere condolences with the passing of Raymond. May he rest in peace. Our prayers are with all of you. Wilfred (Fred) and Maxine Maiers

Wilfred Maiers - September 23, 2025 at 10:27 AM