



Matthew Alex Van Arsdel

July 29, 1975 - June 14, 2010

Matthew Alex VanArsdel was born on July 29, 1975 in Omaha, Nebraska to Victor and Beverly (Jensen) VanArsdel. He grew up in Bennington where he attended grade school and graduated from Bennington High School in 1993. Matt briefly UN before entering the plumbers apprentice program. As a young boy, Matt was a talented artist and musician, he enjoyed golf and watching birds.

Matt married Sara Wagner on July 20, 2001 at St. Vincent dePaul Catholic Church in Omaha, Nebraska and to this union two children were born: Grant and Kate. Matt and Sara and their children have made their home in Bennington.

Matt has worked as a plumber for Frazier, Radden and Eyman plumbing companies and was a member of Plumber's Local #16. He was an easy going man, helpful and kind-hearted. Matt was blessed with an enormous amount of patience and was always willing to lend a helping hand and never expected anything in return. He was loving and compassionate with his family and he was proud of them. Matt was eager to spend time teaching Grant to golf and he loved the sound of Kate's laughter. He was a man of diverse interests and tastes. Matt enjoyed golf, fishing, watching his Sooners and spending time with the family. He was a good cook, especially barbeque and smoked ribs.

Matt passed away on Monday, June 14, 2010 in Omaha, Nebraska at the age of 34 years, 10 months and 16 days. He is survived by his wife Sara; children Grant and Kate; parents Victor and Beverly all of Bennington; sister Cheryl Osterloh of Valley, NE; mother-in-law Kathy Wagner of Bennington; other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Matthew Alex Van Arsdel*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Sara, You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Michelle, Troy, Chase & Elise*

Michelle Ratigan - July 06, 2010 at 10:27 AM



“ *Sara you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Amy (Sample) Franck - June 21, 2010 at 01:49 PM



“ *Sara you are in my thoughts and prayers. My heart goes out to you and Grant and Kate. I am thinking of you all the time, and I love you dearly.*

June 20, 2010 at 10:56 AM



“ *We deeply sorry for your loss, you will be kept in our thoughts and prayers.*

Micahel & Stacey, Emma and Ella Lee - June 18, 2010 at 01:36 PM



“ *My heart goes out to you and your family. I am truly sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Kristina Adeshina - June 17, 2010 at 11:05 PM

AS

“ Words cannot replace the void left by the loss of your loved one. My thoughts and prayers will be with you in these days of trial and the weeks to come. God bless you and yours.

arlene Shelly - June 17, 2010 at 10:26 AM

CK

“ Understanding why is the hardest thing to endure. Knowing that God has taken Matt into his loving grace hopefully will help ease the pain. My heart felt sympathy goes out to you all. May your faith carry you through these difficult times. My prayers and thoughts are with you.

Cindy Keffer - June 17, 2010 at 09:40 AM

RH

“ I'm so sorry to here about Matt. This sort of thing is unthinkable makes a persons heart drop in their chest just as mine did when I heard the tragic news. I don't understand why something like this happens to such good people I guess we aren't meant to understand. Sarah words cant explain how bad I feel for you and the kids. If there is anything in the future near or far that Melissa and I can do for you please ask. Sam hasn't stopped talking about Mrs. V since school let out your very special to us. I am truly very sorry for your loss and will hold your family in my prayers.

Rick Hartman - June 17, 2010 at 09:08 AM

DC

“ We are so deeply sorry to hear of your loss and we are thinking of you.

Todd, Dana, Jordan and Dylan Crisman

Dana Crisman - June 17, 2010 at 01:14 AM

TH

“ We are deeply sorry to hear of your loss! We will be praying for you and your family. Romans 8:28.

Tim and Jenny, Kate, Andrew and Josh Hare - June 16, 2010 at 11:08 PM

ER

“ Dear Sara-We are praying and thinking of you and your family during this tragic time. Words cannot express how terribly sorry we are. Please remember you are not alone. You have touched so many lives in our community in such a wonderful way and we all want to help you, Grant, and Kate now and in the difficult times ahead.

Love-

Jerry, Emily, Shelby, and Sophie Ryan

Emily Ryan - June 16, 2010 at 10:47 PM

SR

“ Sara and Family: At this time, I am thinking of you all. God Bless.

Sara Reinoehl - June 16, 2010 at 09:04 PM

SF

“ Sara and family,
We are thinking of you and your family during this devastating time. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Terry and Sheri Ahlrich and family (Pine Creek Family)

Sheri Ahlrich and Family - June 16, 2010 at 07:45 PM

SB

“ Thinking of you and your family! You are in my thoughts and prayers. Praying for you all during this time of grief.

Tom, Stephanie, Christian and Lizzie Becerra

Stephanie Becerra - June 16, 2010 at 07:41 PM

VF

“ Dearest Sara, Grant & Kate,

We send our deepest sympathy to you and your family during this incredibly difficult time. We love you and are praying for you. May God bless you.

*Sincerely,
Tom, Vanessa, Tori & AJ Pruse*

Vanessa Pruse and family - June 16, 2010 at 06:34 PM

KJ

“ Sara,
Our hearts are broken for you and your family. Know you are in our thoughts and prayers and we will be there for you. Kristi, Jeff, Isaac and Sidney

Kristi Jacobs - June 16, 2010 at 06:09 PM

SA

“ Sara,
Words do not come to express my sorrow. I still can't believe this happened. I am so sorry. I know this is a great time of grief. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I will help you with whatever you need. This really makes us all feel the importance of life.
Susan

Susan Allen - June 16, 2010 at 02:34 PM

TK

“ Sara.....no words can truly express how sorry we are to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, the children, and all of the extended family. May God be with all of you during this difficult time.

Tim, Michelle, Rachel, Alec, and Nikolas Kelsey - June 16, 2010 at 02:30 PM

BW

“ Sara, please know Tim and I and our family are praying for you and all your family. We are so sorry for your loss. Please know we care. Love Tim & Barb Walz and family

barbara walz - June 16, 2010 at 12:49 PM

KC

“ Sara, I never know what to say in these situations, but I want you to know that I am definitely thinking of you and praying for healing for you and your family as you go through this unthinkable time. I know you are overwhelmed right now with everyone so i just want to give you your privacy, but please let me know how I can help.

Love you and praying for you!! Kelly

Kelly Cox - June 15, 2010 at 06:16 PM