



Melvin Larry Sorensen

January 10, 1943 - June 24, 2020

Melvin Larry Sorensen was born on January 10, 1943 on the family farm east of Essex, Iowa to Walter and Ruby (Warnaca) Sorensen. He grew up in rural Essex where he attended grade school and graduated in 1961 from Essex High School in Essex, Iowa. As a young boy, Melvin spent much of his time helping on the farm but he enjoyed playing football and developed his life-long passion for car racing. Melvin served his country in the United States Army.

Melvin has shared 37 years with his life partner Darlene Lydiatt and they have made their home in Mead, Nebraska. He was a talented workman, a jack-of-all-trades. Melvin worked in construction, building houses, remodeling, flipping homes and was a talented wallpaper hanger. He was a bar owner, race car driver and loved to tend to his garden. Melvin was tough, stubborn, loving and a joker. He was an avid Husker fan, enjoyed old westerns and NASCAR on television.

Melvin passed away on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at his home in Mead, Nebraska. He was preceded in death by his parents Walter and Ruby Sorensen and brothers Merle and Marvin. Melvin is survived by his life partner Darlene; daughter Lisa Horton of Mead, Nebraska; step-son Steve Lydiatt of Ashland, Nebraska; grandchildren Tyler and Morgan Cody, Maison Hill and Shelby Lydiatt; Brother Mahlon (Kathy) Sorensen of Clarinda, Iowa and several nephews and one niece.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home-Yutan
407 4th St.
Yutan, NE 68073

Funeral Ceremony

JUN 29. 2:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JUN 29. 3:00 PM (CT)

Hollst Lawn Cemetery
630 County Road L
Yutan, NE 68073

Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin Larry Sorensen*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *To Mahlon and family, So sorry to learn your brother has passed away. May the good memories you have shared stay in your hearts forever. Prayers for all. Paul & Helen Riley Essex, Ia.*

Helen Riley - June 29, 2020 at 05:50 PM



“ *Sending our sincere condolences to his loved ones! Mel was a GREAT friend to my ex husband Kenny Maine, who also has passed. He was loved by our whole family and I know he will be missed. We lost track when he sold the restaurant in Venice...and I regret that! I have many fun pictures of his 50th birthday party out there!! He was fun and he was funny...and KIND...that is what I will remember MOST...is how KIND he was! My heart is breaking tonight at this news. May God Bless his family and Darlene, who was with him for many years! Much Love from, Cindy Maine Stowell...Bj and Betsy Maine!! The world is a little darker tonight. :(*

Cindy Stowell - June 28, 2020 at 08:35 PM



Condolences to family and friends, a great person to be around..

Chris Helms - June 28, 2020 at 09:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Melvin Larry Sorensen.



June 28, 2020 at 11:28 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Melvin Larry Sorensen.



June 26, 2020 at 12:27 PM