



## Larry Shepherd

November 21, 1945 - August 14, 2021

Larry Shepherd, 75, of Fremont, died Saturday, August 14, 2021, at the Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines. He was born November 21, 1945, in Ottumwa, Iowa, the son of Harry and Lucille Butler Shepherd. He graduated from Fremont High School with the class of 1965. In high school Larry worked for area farmers helping on the farm and doing mechanic work. Following High School graduation Larry was inducted into the United States Army. He served as a field artillery man in Vietnam. On October 6, 1966, he was united in marriage to Janeitta Ilene Ensly in Wichita, Kansas. To this union two children were born Steven and Tianna. Larry and Janeitta later welcomed a daughter Tracy through adoption. Upon his return from Vietnam Larry started his career in the automobile service industry. He worked as the service manager at Good Year, Lafrenz Motors, and Carriker Ford in Oskaloosa. He later took a job at Norris Asphalt as their Parts Manager. He retired from there in 2010 and spent his retirement years with his wife Janeitta until her passing in 2019. Larry loved to watch automobile races, especially NASCAR. He also enjoyed watching mechanic shows on television and Pastor Bob Joyce. He loved to work in his yard and especially loved to mow. He was always willing to offer a helping hand to his friends and neighbors in Fremont. He and Janeitta spent many years hosting foster children in their home.

His family includes his three children and their spouses, Steven and Amanda Shepherd of Fremont, Tianna and Justin Aldridge of Oskaloosa, and Tracy

and Jared Sams of Peoria, Illinois; nine grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; a brother and his wife, Richard and Mary Kay Shepherd of Ottumwa; a sister and her husband, Mary Ann and Dennis Goodwin of Fremont; a sister-in-law, Marie Shepherd of Bloomfield; a brother in law, Jerry Downing of Missouri; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife Janeitta, Larry was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Ken Shepherd; and a sister, Anna Downing.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, August 19, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fremont Funeral Chapel in Fremont, Iowa, with Pastor Robb Bruns officiating. Graveside Military Honors will be given by members of the Oskaloosa American Legion and V.F.W. Burial will be in the Cedar Township Cemetery south of Fremont. The Fremont Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Visitation will begin Wednesday after 11 a.m. in the Fremont Funeral Chapel and the family will be at the funeral chapel from 6-8 Wednesday evening to greet friends and relatives. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Township Memorial Cemetery South

262 S Chestnut Street  
Fremont, IA 52561

# Previous Events

## Open Visitation

**AUG 18.** 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Fremont Funeral Chapel  
Walnut and Main Street  
P.O. Box 276  
Fremont, IA 52561  
(641) 673-7366  
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## Family Visitation

**AUG 18.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I made it my purpose to drive thru Fremont as often as possible just to see if Larry was out on the porch and stop and visit him as long as I could I loved this man I worked with him and he was one of my favorite friends always ready to listen and be honest with you, im really sorry for his family as I know he talked highly of you all, hang in there he will truly be missed Jim Fenner

Jim Fenner - August 18, 2021 at 09:18 AM

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“ As his son I have so many good memories he was always putting everyone else first my world will definitely not be the same he was my rock but i couldn't have had a better roll model thank you dad for making me the man i am rip go see mom tell her I love her and I love you

Steve shepherd - August 18, 2021 at 12:10 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Larry Shepherd.



August 17, 2021 at 09:17 PM

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“ *Sending my sympathy to Larry's family. I was in his 1965 graduating class from Fremont High School, but haven't seen him much since that time. I am very grateful for his service to our country in Vietnam. May many memories of your life with him give you comfort during this difficult time.*

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**Karen Skovgard** - August 16, 2021 at 08:13 PM