



Dean Albrecht

June 2, 1955 - May 7, 2018

Dean Albrecht, age 62, of Carroll, passed away, on Monday, May 7, 2018 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 11, 2018 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Carroll. The Presider will be Fr. Brian Feller, assisted by Deacon Butch Stone. Homilist will be Fr. Timothy Schott. Con-Celebrant will be Fr. Timothy Johnson. Music will be by Kate Cuddy, Kathleen Macke, Jake Gute, and the St. Lawrence Choir. Lectors will be Bryce Block, and Steve Albrecht. Mass Servers will be Mitch Badding, and Evan Koster. Gift Bearers will be Myles Grossman, Macy DenBeste, and Morgan DenBeste. Eucharistic Ministers will be Tamie Badding, and Kathy Stein. Honorary Casket Bearers will be Kent McDaniel, Dave Tretter, Mark Benda, Bruce Paysen, Dave Greco, Glen Smith, Tom Schroeder, Tom Warner, Joe Heidenreich, Dave Fordyce, Dale Meyer, Darrin Roeder, Mark Hansen, and Jeff Tarsi. Casket Bearers will be John Brinker, Jeff Brunson, Heidi DenBeste, David Albrecht, Joe Albrecht, Carter Albrecht, and Maddie Albrecht. Burial will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll.

Friends may call at St. Lawrence Church after 4 p.m. on Thursday, where there will be a Christian Wake Service held at 7 p.m.

Visitation will resume at the church beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, and

continue until the time of the funeral mass.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial in Dean's name to the C.S.B. Charitable Foundation - F.B.O. Dean Albrecht Mayo Clinic Charitable Fund C/O City State Bank, Box 159, 801 Main, Norwalk, IA, 50211. This fund is for the continued research of Leukemia, and Lymphoma Cancers at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Memorials may also be made to St. Lawrence Catholic Church or Kuemper Catholic School Foundation.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left for Dean's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Dean was born on June 2, 1955 at Carroll, Iowa, the son of Dale and Marge (Schroeder) Albrecht. He grew up in Wall Lake, and graduated from Wall Lake High School in 1973. After high school Dean worked for his father at Boyer Valley Fertilizer for a brief time before enrolling at Iowa State University. He would later graduate with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agri-Business. Upon graduation, Dean accepted a position to manage the South Sioux City, Nebraska office of Boyer Valley Fertilizer. On August 9, 1991, Dean was united in marriage to Sara O'Neill at Milford, Iowa. The couple lived in the Sioux City area until 1993 when Dean accepted a position as the General Manager of the Western Corn Belt Region for Crop Production Services. This position relocated Dean, and his family to Carroll, Iowa.

Dean enjoyed playing tennis, water-skiing, and spending time and socializing with his many friends at Okoboji. He also appreciated his "toys" whether it be his cars, motorcycles, or his boat. Dean was an affectionate supporter of Iowa State University, and Iowa State Athletics. He enjoyed cheering on all of their teams, but he especially enjoyed the women's basketball program, and cheering on his daughter as she played for Iowa State. Most of all Dean

cherished spending time with his family, especially encouraging, and being part of his daughters, and his grandson life's. Dean was a member of St. Lawrence Parish in Carroll.

Dean was influential with his crusade against Lymphoma, and Leukemia Cancers. He leaves behind an inspirational legacy of fund raising for the Lymphoma and Leukemia Society. His legacy includes being Man of the Year for the L.L.S.; raising approximately \$700,000, to be used for researching treatments, and cures of these cancers.

Those left to cherish Dean's memory is his wife: Sara Albrecht of Carroll; daughters: Abbey Albrecht of West Des Moines, and Lexi Albrecht (Fiancé Bryce Block) of West Des Moines; a son-in-law: Mike Grossman of Carroll; his grandson: Myles Grossman of Carroll; his mother: Marge Albrecht of Wall Lake; his siblings: Cindy Brunson of West Des Moines, Dick (Marcy) Albrecht of Wall Lake, and Steve (Julie) Albrecht of Norwalk; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Jodi (Nick) Kentopp of Omaha, Nancy Wiggs of Sioux City, Mary Pat (Phil) Thompson of Sioux City, Lori (Dale) Meyer of Sioux City, and Mark (Dawn) O'Neill of Hinton; also surviving are many nieces, nephews, extended family, and many friends.

Dean was preceded in death by his daughter: Melissa Grossman; his father: Dale Albrecht; and his parents-in-law: Eugene and Rose Ann O'Neill.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St Lawrence Catholic Church
1607 N West St
Carroll, IA 51401
(712) 792-9244

Visitation

MAY 11. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St Lawrence Catholic Church
1607 N West St
Carroll, IA 51401
(712) 792-9244

Service

MAY 11. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LK

“ I have never known a man, that was in charge of so many people and so much business, that cared so much for his people. Then I met Dean.

I had heard Dean speak at several annual CPS meetings the last 6 years. I was always so impressed by what he said. He was in front of hundreds of employees and always said the same thing. Thank you. Thank you CPS employees for what you do. Never a "you can do better" or any negative words. Always just a genuine Thank You.

I was always impressed with that leadership quality. This guy is special I thought.

Back in November of 2017, I was diagnosed with bladder cancer. I sent a email to my superiors and somehow, the email got to Dean.

He called me and we talked for nearly an hour the first time. He kept track of how I was going through the whole ordeal. He sent emails requesting updates.

I have never known a boss to be so concerned about an employee's well being. Dean didn't like talking about himself. I kind of had to force him to talk about his issues. He handled them so well, he was an inspiration and gave me strength.

I sent a report and thank you to my superiors, including Dean. I am one of the lucky ones, after chemo and bladder removal, I am cancer free.

Dean responded to my email:

"Great to hear Lane. There is a old saying I use "cap down straight ahead". That is exactly what you did. I know you had some rough days but that is now in the rear view mirror. Call me if I can ever help. Take care my friend. Dean ."

The date he sent it was April 28, 2018

When I heard of Dean's passing, I was shocked and saddened. Why so soon? I had just communicated with him last week. I was a bit upset to say the least.

Well, I thought about it along time.

I came to the conclusion that there just aren't very many people in this world like Dean. He has been called to another task.

Dean was my Angel. He still is.

*Lane Kugler
Elwood, NE CPS*

Lane Kugler - May 23, 2018 at 04:54 PM

MM

“ *Sara, Abbey and Lexi , I am at a loss for words. You have my deepest sympathy! I will keep all of you in my prayers.*

Mary Mikkelsen - May 10, 2018 at 07:12 PM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 10, 2018 at 04:30 PM

AS

“ I had the pleasure of meeting and getting to know Dean when I worked for Ida County State Bank, now United Bank of Iowa - 30 years ago!! Dean was introduced to me by Mark Hanson - so many memories! After I took a job with Drivers License, and moved away, he kept in touch with me because he always had 'driving' issues. Such a heavy foot he had!!
It was a joy running into Dean and his family at ISU games and in Odebolt eating at the bowling alley! He never stopped bragging about his family! God bless you all. Dean you will missed!
Deepest sympathies to the family - I pray your memories console you during this sad time.

Amy Sievers
Spencer, IA

Amy Sievers - May 10, 2018 at 03:39 PM

PD

“ Dean was on of the greatest men I have ever had the privilege and pleasure of knowing. He was a friend, customer, mentor and confidant for over 35 years. I always felt my spirits were lifted when I spent time with Dean whether it was a meeting, phone call, or social event. He always had an encouraging and positive outlook.

Knowing Dean has allowed me to spend time around his family, which I know was the most precious and important part of his life. My heart and prayers go out to them as I know he will be greatly missed.

Paul Z. Davis

Paul Davis - May 10, 2018 at 02:55 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 10, 2018 at 02:16 PM



“ *Crop Production Services Hancock Iowa purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Crop Production Services Hancock Iowa - May 10, 2018 at 02:07 PM



“ *NEW Cooperative, Inc. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



NEW Cooperative, Inc. - May 10, 2018 at 12:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 10, 2018 at 10:40 AM

JF

“ Jennifer Finch purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dean Albrecht.



Jennifer Finch - May 10, 2018 at 10:21 AM

SN

“ Sara, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your Family. Sharon and Dennis Nelson

sharon nelson - May 10, 2018 at 10:16 AM

CI

“ Crop Production Services Hopkinton Iowa purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dean Albrecht.



Crop Production Services Hopkinton Iowa - May 10, 2018 at 10:07 AM

HR

“ My deepest sympathies to the Albrecht family. While I only had the pleasure to work with Dean for 2 short years, I never questioned his genuineness, integrity and leadership. His love for life and people was contagious. He will be greatly missed by all of us! May memories comfort you in this time of great sorrow.

Hollie Rudy

Credit Manager - CPS Urbandale, Iowa

Hollie Rudy - May 10, 2018 at 10:02 AM



“ *CPS-West Union, IA purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



CPS-West Union, IA - May 10, 2018 at 09:11 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



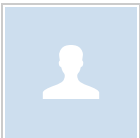
May 10, 2018 at 08:45 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 10, 2018 at 07:52 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 10, 2018 at 07:24 AM

MS

“ *Michelle Schuette lit a candle in memory of Dean Albrecht*



Michelle Schuette - May 10, 2018 at 06:02 AM

TO

“ *Tom Warner & Staff, CPS-Galesburg IL Admin Office purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Tom Warner & Staff, CPS-Galesburg IL Admin Office - May 09, 2018 at 04:05 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 09, 2018 at 03:53 PM

CN

“ *CPS Mapleton, ND purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



CPS Mapleton, ND - May 09, 2018 at 02:37 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 09, 2018 at 02:30 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 09, 2018 at 02:18 PM



“ *Sara, you don't know me. I am Division Safety Coordinator, for Peter Allen's, division. I met Dean at our Division Meetings. We hit it off, right away. He had a lot of great ideas, and was very willing to listen to mine, which kind of amazed me. It is a great loss to the region. He was so down to earth, and such a kind man. He will be deeply missed. You, and your family, have my sympathy. Dan Lansing.*

Dan Lansing - May 09, 2018 at 01:55 PM



“ *The Carlson family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



The Carlson family - May 09, 2018 at 12:59 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 09, 2018 at 12:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 09, 2018 at 11:48 AM



“ *From all your friends at UPI purchased the Garden of Memories for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



From all your friends at UPI - May 09, 2018 at 11:13 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 09, 2018 at 11:06 AM

JH

“ My sympathies to everyone in Dean's family. In my role at CPS I did not have a lot of interaction with Dean, but when I did the first thing he would ask was how my family and I were doing. After that we would talk business. Throughout my career I have worked for many different people. Most were managers. A few were leaders. Dean was one of the top leaders with excellent vision. May he rest in peace.

Jeff Hensley

Jeff Hensley - May 09, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.



May 09, 2018 at 09:58 AM

KT

“ Kim Truelove sent a virtual gift in memory of Dean Albrecht



Kim Truelove - May 09, 2018 at 09:31 AM

KT

This is one man that had a lasting impression on me after meeting him only once! What a wonderful and caring soul! Fly high our new angel!

Kim Truelove - May 09, 2018 at 09:34 AM

DB

“ I worked for Dean for 17 yrs and of all the people he had connections with, he always new my name and asked how the family was. I Had great respect for him as a leader and a genuine person. I retired in 2013 but he was and will always be a positive part of my life.
With sympathy. Dale Baas, Ex Irvington employee.

Dale Baas - May 09, 2018 at 09:01 AM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.



May 09, 2018 at 09:00 AM

GP

“ Gary J Peter purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Dean Albrecht.



Gary J Peter - May 09, 2018 at 08:48 AM

VH

“ While I have not met Dean's family, my prayers and thanks will include all of you. Dean frequently provided support and guidance for me and my family after discovering my teen age daughter was diagnosed with leukemia. His care and thoughtfulness was admirable and very much appreciated. Because Dean had experienced and felt some of the challenges my family was going through, his guidance and support was helpful and comforting. He routinely checked in to see how my daughter was doing and this was a great gift and testament to Dean's care for others. Even when I contacted Dean in February after his surgery, he spent no time talking about his own challenges - he just wanted to know if my daughter was doing well. It's difficult to accept Dean has passed, but please know how much care he gave and shared with others. Thank you Dean - God Bless!

Vern Hawkins
Greensboro, NC

Vern Hawkins - May 09, 2018 at 08:33 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.



May 09, 2018 at 07:41 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 08, 2018 at 08:55 PM



“ *CPS Canada purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



CPS Canada - May 08, 2018 at 06:48 PM

LH

“ Iowa State athletics, and in particular, Iowa State women's basketball was the beginning of our friendship. Never have I met a man whose concern was always "your welfare, how's it going".....even when he was fighting his cancer. He was an amazing man, his glass was never half empty, and if it was he didn't worry about it...he knew where he could refill it. His family was everything to him, so devoted to each of them and so proud of all of them. He sent me messages telling me about Lexi going to be a Dr. and so excited about her upcoming wedding. And the next message was about Abbey who had mad a decision of a career change, and how proud of her he was. I never heard a negative word from this man's mouth. Even though our meeting at athletic events was over, I had looked forward connecting with him in the future. We have lost a "good, family, Christian man!" And God brought home a gentleman!

Larry Hultgren
Ida Grove, Iowa

Larry ICE Hultgren - May 08, 2018 at 06:25 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.



May 08, 2018 at 05:41 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 08, 2018 at 05:24 PM



“ *Violets And Butterflies was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 08, 2018 at 04:42 PM



“ *So many words come to mind when describing Dean. Professional, Integrity, Caring, Honest, Passionate, Family Man, Husband, Father...and absolutely a friend. Dean impacted so many peoples lives and will be deeply missed. I am so fortunate to have known Dean for years both personally and professionally. I am grateful to have called Dean my friend. Thoughts and prayers are with Sara and the Albrecht family.*

Gary Peter

Gary Peter - May 08, 2018 at 03:49 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 08, 2018 at 03:27 PM



“ *Agricen Company purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Agricen Company - May 08, 2018 at 01:53 PM



“ *Care and Compassion Spray was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 08, 2018 at 01:51 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Albrecht family during this time of loss. We had the unique privilege of spending time with Dean watching our daughters compete for the All Iowa Attack. His enthusiasm, compassion and love of life were second to none.*

Jed, Lisa, Lincoln and Morgan Vorba

Jed Vorba - May 08, 2018 at 01:12 PM

VM

“ *Valent USA LLC team c/o Matt Lawrence & Susan Macy purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Valent USA LLC team c/o Matt Lawrence & Susan Macy -
May 08, 2018 at 12:35 PM

WW

“ *Wickman Chemical Erich & Tammy Wickman purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Wickman Chemical Erich & Tammy Wickman - May 08, 2018
at 12:34 PM

ML

“ *Matt Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Dean Albrecht*



Matt Lawrence - May 08, 2018 at 11:28 AM

ST

“ *SYT Management and KAM Team purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



SYT Management and KAM Team - May 08, 2018 at 11:01 AM

KL

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Albrecht family. Dean was a man we looked up to. He truly cared about the people he worked with and always expressed interest in their families too! Thoughts and prayers to Sara and his family.

Kerri Lynch - May 08, 2018 at 10:53 AM

TL

Albrecht Family

I always looked forward to meeting with Dean and it was an honor to work for him. I enjoyed having the opportunity to learn from him. He would always ask how my family was and truly cared. He was a great role model and inspiring individual. He will be deeply missed. My condolences to the Albrecht family.

Tyler Lynch - May 08, 2018 at 03:40 PM

DW

“ Not many people can say they worked for the same company their whole career of 32 plus years, but I can Proudly say "I Have". The reason for it is the Albrecht Family. Dean has more wonderful attributes than just a Boss. Dean would take the time to know you and your family by name and their interests. Dean is the type of person you want to work for and he would always say Thank You.. I have always admired Dean's Leadership, his Integrity, but most of all his Friendship. I wish I had the opportunity to say Thank you for all you have done for all of us one more time. You Are, "The Best of The Best." We will miss you my Friend,
David Wallerich

David Wallerich - May 08, 2018 at 10:23 AM

SH

“ *Dean Albrecht Family*
Dean was a very caring person and always had time to talk to everyone when he stop by the office. Dean will be missed by all us.

CPS Employees of Lakefield, MN



Sally Hanson - May 08, 2018 at 10:22 AM

KW

“ *Kearney Wearhouse purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Kearney Wearhouse - May 08, 2018 at 10:16 AM

TO

“ *The Nebraska Division Office purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



The Nebraska Division Office - May 08, 2018 at 10:16 AM

WR

“ *With Love, CPS - The Eastern Corn Belt Region purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



With Love, CPS - The Eastern Corn Belt Region - May 08, 2018 at 08:22 AM

AA

“ I worked with Dean for 12 years, and whether it was work related or personal related, at a meeting or at Iowa State tailgating, he always provided sound counsel. I learned a lot from him, he will be missed.

Aaron Aarestad

Aaron Aarestad - May 08, 2018 at 08:03 AM

RL

“ Dean Albrecht family
Dean always asked how your family was and he truly cared, I admired him for his integrity, and he earned everyone's respect! I am proud to call him a friend. He will be missed by us all.

Rick Lynch

Rick Lynch - May 07, 2018 at 09:11 PM

RA

Dean Albrecht Family
I have known Dean for over 25 years. He had the highest degree of integrity and character of anyone I have ever met. I will miss him as a friend and a leader. My whole family will miss him and our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Randy Anderson - May 08, 2018 at 10:02 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.



May 07, 2018 at 05:46 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 07, 2018 at 05:08 PM



“ *David Chaffin purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



David Chaffin - May 07, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 07, 2018 at 04:47 PM



“ *Jeff Wilmes Kaup Seed & Fertilizer West Point NE purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



Jeff Wilmes Kaup Seed & Fertilizer West Point NE - May 07, 2018 at 04:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 07, 2018 at 04:32 PM



“ *I only had the privilege to work closely with Dean for a short while, but it was easy to see why he was so had so much respect in the industry. He was a man of dignity and honor. I was glad I got to meet with him at a seminar in Lincoln, Nebraska. I always gained valuable knowledge from him whenever we spoke. He was the type of man that if he met you once he would always remember who you were, That is such a rare quality in corporate America today. I am so sorry for your loss. I know you will miss him deeply. I pray the God gives you strength and you will treasure his memory.*



Lucinda Griffith - May 07, 2018 at 04:29 PM



“ *Dean Albrecht set the bar high for leadership in our industry. He was a fine gentleman and a man whose business skills were a template for all of us to copy. Dean could relate to the warehouse person, the truck driver, or the CEO of a major chemical company...he had a gift of making people feel special and significant. Dean, we were proud to work for you. Our North Dakota/ Minnesota thoughts and prayers go out to all your friends and family.*
Marty Heggedal

Marty Heggedal - May 07, 2018 at 04:13 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



May 07, 2018 at 04:04 PM



“ *Dean was an extraordinary man. First and foremost he cared about his family, friends and the people he worked with...always making a point to ask how employees and their families were doing. He provided tremendous support to Rusty and our family over the past year during Rusty's battle with advanced cancer. He not only drove to Des Moines to see us in the hospital, but also made the 4-hour round trip multiple times to our home in Marshalltown. He most recently visited just two weeks ago, sharing encouragement and the importance of faith and family. He also spoke of the deep love and respect that he had for Sara and his family. He will be greatly missed.*

--Rusty & Carol Hibbs

Carol Hibbs - May 07, 2018 at 03:59 PM



“ *CPS - Central Iowa Division purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Dean Albrecht.*



CPS - Central Iowa Division - May 07, 2018 at 03:42 PM

KS

“ Dean was the most caring guy I knew. When he came to visit he wanted to know about our families first and then our work. I am glad I got to work with him for the short time we have been CPS, but he will be greatly missed. My condolences to the family...

*Kelly Swanson
Alma Nebraska*

Kelly Swanson - May 07, 2018 at 03:25 PM

GH

“ Our heartfelt and deepest sympathies go out to Dean's family and friends. He was a kind and warm man and cared about his employees. The employees of Creston, IA Crop Production Services wish to pay our respect and condolences. He will be missed and so will his smile.

Gloria Harman - May 07, 2018 at 02:59 PM

JT

“ Dean Albrecht was one of the most honest, down to earth, and best people I have ever had the privilege to know. He loved his family and he loved his work. Dean will be greatly missed by all. Thank you for all you have done Dean.

Jeff Tarsi - May 07, 2018 at 02:56 PM