



## Jeff Grote

October 26, 1970 - August 3, 2018

Jeff Grote, age 47, of Ankeny, formerly of Breda, died Friday, August 3, 2018 at his home in Ankeny.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Breda. The Celebrant will be Fr. Mark Stoll. Music will be by Marilyn Hundling, and the St. Bernard's Choir. Lector will be Alvin Mueggenberg. Gift Bearers will be Jeff's nieces, and nephews: Kylie Grote, Melissa Toney, Kelsey Wiese, Nathan Kult, and Jessie Grote. Eucharistic Ministers will be Leonard and Jean Grote, and Donna Grote. Casket bearers will be Doug Gerken, Bob Gerken, Bill Vonnahme, Jason Wernimont, Randy Lenz, Ron Lenz, and Brian Steinkamp. Burial will be at St. Bernard's Cemetery in Breda.

Friends may call at St. Bernard's Church in Breda after 4 p.m. on Tuesday, where there will be a Rosary prayed at 5 p.m., and a Christian Wake Service will be held at 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be left at the church to be made to St. Anthony Infusion Center in Carroll.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Breda, and online condolences may be left for Jeff's family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Jeffrey Michael, was born on October 26, 1970 in Carroll, Iowa, the son of Elmer and Lois (Neppi) Grote. He grew up on the family farm southwest of Breda, and attended grade school at St. Bernard's School, before graduating from Kuemper Catholic High School in Carroll. After high school he enlisted in the Army National Guard, but health issues required Jeff to resign from his enlistment.

Jeff held various positions in the area. While working he was constantly striving to make current items better, and innovate new designs. Jeff held multiple patents on anti-theft products for semi-tractors and other transportation. He enjoyed tinkering with anything mechanical, and he appreciated visiting with people and carrying on a long conversation, even if they were complete strangers.

Survivors include his parents: Elmer and Lois Grote of rural Breda; his siblings: Deb (Keith) Kult of Coon Rapids, Dave (Toni) Grote of Arcadia, Russell Grote of Arcadia, and Janet (Tom) Grote-Knight of Bettendorf; his nieces, and nephews: Kylie Grote, Melissa (Darrin) Toney, Kelsey (Chance) Wiese, Nathan Kult, and Jessie Grote; his great-niece, and great-nephew: Adie Toney, and Wyatt Toney; as well as many friends, and other extended relatives.

Jeff was preceded in death his brother, John Grote in infancy; his paternal grandparents, Herman and Louisa Grote; and maternal grandparents, Henry and Lena Neppi.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 7. 7:00 PM (CT)

Sharp Funeral Home ~ Breda, Iowa  
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Breda, IA 51436  
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## Service

AUG 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

RS

“ *Roxie Schrader lit a candle in memory of Jeff Grote*



Roxie Schrader - August 08, 2018 at 10:15 PM

FO

“ *We were privileged to have Jeff with us at Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church in Ankeny. Our prayers are with all the family and may God welcome Jeff home to eternal peace. Father Steve Orr, pastor*

Fr. Steve Orr - August 08, 2018 at 12:08 PM

GL

“ *Neff, with your uniquely awesome sense of humor, we've shared more laughs than I can count. You've been a great friend to so many and we're sure going to miss you, SERIOUSLY!*

Gary Lenz - August 07, 2018 at 11:33 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Jeff Grote.*



August 06, 2018 at 11:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jeff Grote.*



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August 06, 2018 at 11:13 PM



“ *Neffter----you will forever be in our hearts. Always had the best smile no matter what was going on in your life, you ALWAYS had the greatest positive attitude of anyone I know. You always had kind words and a helping hand no matter how big or small the task. You are truly an inspiration on how we should all live our lives. Rest in peace and keep looking down on all of us smiling! You are one of a kind and will never be forgotten. God Bless you !*  
*Jenny Bauer*

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**Jenny Bauer** - August 06, 2018 at 12:23 PM



“ *Such a great guy who had no enemies and had never met a stranger. His huge heart put a smile on every face he met. His positive attitude was larger than life. It's no wonder our Savior wanted him home.*

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**Amy Pudenz** - August 06, 2018 at 09:03 AM

GS

“ Will miss you buddy. A Lot of great memories!! A few we wondered how we ever got into and a few things we probably shouldn't of been getting into. But you always liked to have fun and you really cherished friendship and you were one of the best. As a wrestler and a coach today you made make me realize its not about the wins and losses but what we get out of the sport. You were never one of the best wrestlers on the mat but you sure give it your all and you had fun doing it, and thats what life is about. Keep looking down on us all and giving us that big Neffer smile and handshake. God Bless you!!

Gary Schmitz - August 06, 2018 at 07:41 AM

AU

“ Amanda Underberg lit a candle in memory of Jeff Grote



amanda underberg - August 05, 2018 at 10:27 PM

JE

“ Jeff Grote, what a great guy. He always had a positive attitude and could see the good in about every situation. Jeff was comfortable in his faith and talking about God's plan. He stopped by our shop Thursday afternoon late, just to chat and check in. He was excited about getting a new kidney in a couple weeks, and told us how he was going to get "back in shape". He talked about moving back to Breda, and building a machine shop for his lock products. He was an example of how to both think big, and appreciate what we have. My life is better having known Jeff Grote. He will be missed.

Jeff Egli - August 05, 2018 at 02:52 PM

AP

“ I graduated high school with Jeff aka "Neff". Everyone loved Jeff so much! He had the biggest heart of anyone I have ever met! He always had a smile, a positive attitude, and didn't know a stranger.

We kept in touch over the years. Sometimes we'd run into each other in Ankeny or just message each other to check in on each other.

I will always cherish our friendship and the way he positively impacted so many lives.

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**Amy Price** - August 05, 2018 at 02:25 PM

TG

“ Terry and Kimberly Grote purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jeff Grote.



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**Terry and Kimberly Grote** - August 05, 2018 at 12:08 PM

KB

“ Kim Bauman lit a candle in memory of Jeff Grote



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**kim bauman** - August 04, 2018 at 08:31 PM

KB

“ My sympathy to Jeff's family.

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**kim bauman** - August 04, 2018 at 08:30 PM

MJ

“ *May God wrap you all in his arms & give you the peace that he has JEFF in his kingdom where there is no pain or sadness . Only Love & Joy .*

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**marilyn & berdell jeschke** - August 04, 2018 at 08:53 AM



“ *Patty Grote Trucke lit a candle in memory of Jeff Grote*



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**Patty Grote Trucke** - August 03, 2018 at 09:28 PM