



## Rev. Steven Brodersen

September 7, 1947 - July 20, 2023

A recording of Fr. Steve's funeral mass can be located here: <https://youtu.be/OIKm6seWvPg>

Fr. Steven Brodersen, age 75, of Carroll, died Thursday, July 20, 2023 at his home near Carroll following a courageous battle with cancer.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 27, 2023 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church – St. John Paul II Parish in Carroll. The Presider will be Most Reverend R. Walker Nickless, Bishop of the Diocese of Sioux City, assisted by Deacon Bill Black and Deacon John Rudd. Concelebrants will be Fr. Lynn Bruch, Fr. Shinoj Jose, Fr. Patrick Behm, and Priests of the Diocese of Sioux City. The homilist will be Fr. David Hemann. Music will be by Kathy Halbur and Sherry Loughran. Lectors will be Peg Scheidt and Joleen Mooney. Gift Bearers will be Pam Williams, Brian Brodersen, and David Brodersen. Casket Bearers will be Brian Brodersen, David Brodersen, Cody Williams, Cory Bruch, Carter Bruch, and Kent Knobbe. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Mt. Carmel with military honors conducted by the Dedham American Legion.

Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at St. Lawrence Church in Carroll. Visitation will pause at 5 p.m. at which time a Rosary will be prayed. A

Christian Wake Service will be held at 7 p.m. Additional visitation will be held from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Thursday morning at the church.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Kuemper Catholic School Foundation.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left for Fr. Steve's family at [www.sharppfuneral.com](http://www.sharppfuneral.com).

Fr. Steven Brodersen was born on September 7, 1947 in Laurens, Iowa to William L. and Marcella (Yender) Brodersen. He grew up near Rush Lake, and graduated from Ayrshire High School in 1965. Following high school Steve went on to attend Peru State College in Peru, Nebraska. In 1970, Steve was inducted into the United States Army where he served overseas in Germany. Following his honorable discharge in 1973 he began teaching at St. Edmund High School in Ft. Dodge.

After a few years teaching, Steve enrolled at St. Paul's Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. On December 28, 1985, Steve was ordained a Roman Catholic Priest at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Milford. He held many assignments during his years as a priest they include the following: St. Lawrence Parish in Carroll, Holy Angels Parish in Roselle, Sacred Heart Parish in Templeton, St. Mary's Parish in Auburn, Kuemper Catholic School President in Carroll, St. Cecilia Parish in Algona, Immaculate Conception Parish in Sioux City, Sacred Heart Parish in Boone, St. Augustine Parish in Halbur, Sacred Heart Parish in Templeton, and Holy Angels Parish in Roselle. Fr. Steve retired from active ministry in July of 2017; however, he continued to serve local parishes when called upon.

As a gifted pianist, Fr. Steve enjoyed music and playing his keyboard. He also

enjoyed golfing, flower and vegetable gardening, making his delicious cheesecake, and traveling especially to Germany, Glacier National Park, and Hawaii. The past few winters he enjoyed wintering in Arizona where he could escape the cold winter months.

Left to celebrate Fr. Steve's life is his mother: Marcella Brodersen of Spencer; his siblings: Pam Williams of Titonka, Brian (Deb) Brodersen of Spencer, and David (Roxanne) Brodersen of Matlock; nieces: Deb (Lyon) Anderson of Johnson, KS, Erica (Scott) Brown of Aurora, CO; nephews: Cody Williams of Clear Lake, and Todd (Vicki) Roskens of North Liberty. As well as many other relatives, friend, and lives touched by his ministry.

Fr. Steve was preceded in death by his father; William, and a brother-in-law: Charles Williams.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **26.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. John Paul II Parish-St. Lawrence Church  
1607 N West St  
Carroll, IA 51401  
(712) 792-9244

## Mass of the Christian Burial

JUL **27.** 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JP

“ *Father Brodersen was such a amazing Priest and person. He was always such a people person and great with all ages of people. He made sure people felt comfortable during marriage counseling, parish council meetings, Mass, etc. We sent each other Christmas cards for years after he transferred from our parish. He was so proud of his dog too. I have wonderful memories of Ft. Brodersen and will miss him. God bless.*

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**Janelle Patterson** - July 27, 2023 at 04:01 PM

EG

“ *♪♪ I have been so blessed to have worked with Priests at St. Cecelia's Algona who love music....Father Steve was no exception. As a music minister, I have received gifts at Christmas from my Pastors and still carry my music in a black gift bag (with white baby grand pianos on it) that Father Steve gave to me many years ago..... and safety pinned inside is the grateful note he wrote to me.....I can just hear him playing a Golden Baby Grand and his relatives and friends, the Angels and Saints singing along to one of his favorite hymns. Farewell, Father. May you rest in Peace! ♪♪ Grateful for you! Ellen Gatton*

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**Ellen Gatton** - July 27, 2023 at 09:31 AM



“ I knew Father Steve when he was serving Halbur, Templeton, and Roselle as I was teaching at Holy Trinity in Templeton. I found him to be always concerned about the teachers and very encouraging for the things we were doing in our classes. I live in Manning and hadn't heard that he had cancer so I was very surprised when I heard he had died. My sympathy goes out to you, his family. He was a fine priest, a fine leader for our Catholic school, and just a pleasant person to work with. He will be remembered. Sincerely, Sally Hodne

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**Sally Hodne** - July 26, 2023 at 06:56 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Steven Brodersen.



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July 26, 2023 at 01:46 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rev. Steven Brodersen.

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July 26, 2023 at 01:46 PM



“ Lydia B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Steven Brodersen.

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**Lydia B.** - July 26, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Steven Brodersen.*



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July 26, 2023 at 09:25 AM



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“ We were so blessed to know Fr. Brodersen, and to say he impacted our lives would be an understatement. We feel so lucky to have had him officiate our son's wedding just two years ago this week, despite his battles with illness. He will be truly missed.

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**Kurt Phillips** - July 24, 2023 at 11:44 AM



“ He was one of the truly great priests of his generation. A friend, and a priest of tremendous integrity. God bless him and the memory of him. David Haas

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**David** - July 24, 2023 at 08:26 AM



“ Loved having Father Steve as a priest when I was the music teacher at Seton in Algona. Such a wonderful human being and talented pianist.

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**Linda Mertz** - July 23, 2023 at 10:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Steven Brodersen.*



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July 23, 2023 at 04:32 PM



“ *May he rest in eternal peace. Thinking of all of his family and friends especially Father Lynn. May God wrap you all in his loving peace.*



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**Carla Morrow** - July 23, 2023 at 02:39 PM



“ *Rest in peace, Father Steve. Your priestly service to the people and many parishes in Carroll County may be unsurpassed. Thanks for you service as President of the Kuemper Catholic School System from 1992-94.*

*When you would stop by my office at Kuemper you always had a smile on your face and provided sound advice. You were a true servant of God. Vern Henkenius*

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**Vern Henkenius** - July 23, 2023 at 12:58 PM



“ *Linda (Fisher)Larson lit a candle in memory of Rev. Steven Brodersen*



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**Linda (Fisher)Larson** - July 23, 2023 at 11:01 AM

MS

“ Dear Family of Fr. Steve. We became good friends when he was our Pastor at Immaculate Conception Church in Sioux City. After he moved on, Sam Hacker and I kept in touch by visiting him, his taking us to various winerys, etc. What a wonderful man and friend he was and we always enjoyed his company. Thanks to Fr. Lynn Bruch for being such a faithful friend to him. A man like him is really missed! RIP Dear Friend!

Marv and Bette Still - July 23, 2023 at 10:16 AM

VD

“ Vickie Duff lit a candle in memory of Rev. Steven Brodersen



Vickie Duff - July 22, 2023 at 08:32 PM

TF

“ Our sympathy to Father Broderson’s family. We are grateful for the times that he was in our lives, as a parish priest, fellow teacher, and Kuemper Priest President. He was also just a very nice person and good friend.  
Tom and Diane Forbes

Tom and Diane Forbes - July 22, 2023 at 01:52 PM

KJ

“ Kristi Jorgensen lit a candle in memory of Rev. Steven Brodersen



Kristi Jorgensen - July 22, 2023 at 11:53 AM

JH

“ *John Higgins lit a candle in memory of Rev. Steven Brodersen*



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**John Higgins** - July 22, 2023 at 09:53 AM

RG

“ *Rick & Janet Gute lit a candle in memory of Rev. Steven Brodersen*



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**Rick & Janet Gute** - July 22, 2023 at 06:24 AM

YL

“ *To the family of Father Steve, I am so sorry for your loss. I am so grateful that I got to visit with him at our family reunion in Okoboji. We had such a great talk . I am so grateful he was able to say mass at both my parents funeral. It meant so much to us. Rest in Peace Fr. Steve.*

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**Yvonne (Dahm) Lazure** - July 21, 2023 at 11:38 PM

FD

“ My deepest sympathies to Steve's family and close friends, especially Fr. Lynn. It was the two of them that cared for me after I finished the seminary and did a pastoral year at St. Cecilia's in Algona before being ordained a priest. They were the best of friends and took me under their wings, giving me advice, keeping me out of trouble. Steve was always very humble and quiet, qualities I admired in him. He was one of the most pastoral priests in our Diocese. He was there for his people, caring for them as a true shepherd would. I will miss his advice and reassuring smiles. Steve was a fighter till the end. I admired that in him. I am saddened at his passing for sure but know he will walk me as he always has, loving me, encouraging me to grow in my faith and keeping me on the straight path. His death, like his life, reminds me that I am called to something higher, life with our heavenly Father. May he rest in peace and those who love him, find comfort and hope in the Good Shepherd who cares for all his sheep.  
Fr. Joe Dillinger

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**Fr. Joseph Dillinger** - July 21, 2023 at 10:06 AM

FB

Joe,  
Beautiful tribute to Fr. Steve. — indeed May he rest in peace with his new life in Christ. Our prayers for his family and especially his caring friend Fr. Lynn who walk life's journey with him these many years.  
Blessings  
Frs. Armand & Vernon

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**Fr. Armand Bertrand** - July 21, 2023 at 02:57 PM

JH

God Speed Good and Faithful Servent...Rest in Peace

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**Judy Huegerich** - July 21, 2023 at 03:08 PM

MH

Steve,

*What do I say, our friendship of so many many years was a beautiful gift to me. Having Lynn along was great. You were always there for me, good times and bad. From falling off the IC altar, to being with us when mom fell ill. Helping me thru the grief process. Our great lunches at the winery with Fr Lynn and the ladies. You were a fighter from day one with your cancer, This last time you fought so hard and did not give in till the end. I will be talking to you,just not on the phone but you ll hear me. Until we meet again I know I have you with me no matter what., Rest in Peace dear friend you deserve it.*

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**Mary Sam Hacker** - July 21, 2023 at 08:20 PM

DF

*Farewell my friend. Have a great forever.*

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**Deacon Ron Forrester** - July 22, 2023 at 09:40 AM