



## Timothy Stence

May 25, 1948 - December 4, 2023

Timothy K. Stence, 75 of Carroll, died Monday, December 4, 2023 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll with his family by his side.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 2 p.m., Saturday, December 9, 2023 at St. Lawrence Church – St. John Paul II Parish in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Timothy Schott. Music will be by Kathy Halbur. Lector for the Funeral Mass will be Suzanne Poland. Gift Bearers will be Lucy Badding, Baxter Badding, and Alex Stence. Eucharistic Minister will be Joni Badding. Casket Bearers will be Zachary Stence, Robert Badding, Charles Badding, Jack Poland, Sam Poland, Tony Badding, Nicholas Stence and Steve Poland. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll.

Visitation will be from 12:30-1:45 p.m. on Saturday at St. Lawrence Church prior to the Funeral Mass. Following the burial, a reception and celebration of Tim's life will be held at the Sharp Center in Carroll.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left at the church for a later designation. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Tim's family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Timothy was born on May 25, 1948, the son of Vincent and Virginia (Humphrey) Stence. He was a friend to everyone and a stranger to no one. A spirited child, Tim would occasionally venture into mischief, once accidentally setting fire to his coat with a candle at a church service. Despite this, he was a terrific student, graduating from Central High School in Elkader in 1966. Tim

played football, earning all-state honors as a starting center his senior year. He also excelled in varsity basketball and track.

Tim then attended Loras College in Dubuque. He majored in history, a passion he would carry forward throughout his life. In college (at a party and with a drink in each hand), he met another student at neighboring Clarke College, who would become his wife of fifty-two years, Margaret "Peggy" Poland. Even though he left the northeast corner of the state to follow Peggy to her hometown of Carroll, he always kept Elkader in his heart, returning there often to visit the rolling bluffs of his childhood.

Tim's first position was as a high school teacher at St. Bernard's in Breda, where he also coached basketball. Coach Tim's team famously defeated Breda's nearby rivals, the Kuemper Catholic Knights, during his sole year there. Tim and Peggy then moved to Omaha, Nebraska, in 1971. They both taught at Blessed Sacrament for ten years, before moving to Carroll with their two children, Nick and Gina. Tim made a career change in Carroll, working as a printer at Stone Printing and Office Supplies until his retirement in his early 50's. He won the Friendly Award from the Carroll Chamber of Commerce before his retirement, a testament to Tim's well-known gift of gab. Among his favorite topics were sports, his children, and his grandchildren. Tim spent his final years at Regency Park in Carroll, where he was loved and cared for by an amazing and generous staff. He was famous there for being a character, teasing everyone and keeping them on their toes.

Tim is survived by his wife, Peggy Stence; children: Nicholas (Laura) Stence of Denver, Colorado, and Gina (Tony) Badding of Carroll; grandchildren: Robert (Fletch) Badding, Zachary Stence, Charles Badding, Alex Stence, Lucy Badding, and Baxter Badding; siblings: Michael (Barb) Stence, Calista Reed, and Terry (Deb) Stence; and many nieces, nephews, sisters-in-law, and brothers-in-law.

Tim was preceded in death by his parents, Vincent and Virginia Stence; infant brother, Raymond; Peggy's parents, Philip and Anne Poland; and brother-in-law, John Poland.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Regency Park for their devoted care, attention, and compassion during Tim's later years.

# Tribute Wall

FO

“ Peg and family, We are so sorry for you. Our prayers for Tim.  
Leon and Florence Oswald

Florence Oswald - December 08, 2023 at 06:39 PM

JE

“ To Tim's Family-Our sympathy to each of you.  
My dad enjoyed visiting with Tim many times  
as he rehabbed at Regency over the last  
years. Thinking of you.



julie eischeid - December 08, 2023 at 05:25 PM

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“ Children's Hosp Colorado Radiologists planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in  
honor of Timothy Stence.

Children's Hosp Colorado Radiologists - December 07, 2023 at 01:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Timothy Stence.



December 07, 2023 at 01:01 PM

SG

“ *Sending my thoughts and prayers on the loss of your husband. Take care. Sandi Gruhn, Manilla*

Sandra K Gruhn - December 07, 2023 at 08:01 AM

WN

“ *Peg and family: We were so sad to learn of Tim's death. He was always a bright spot! He was interested in other people and doing good work. His legacy will be his wonderful family and the friends he made. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you during these difficult days. Wes & CJ Niles*

Wes & CJ Niles - December 06, 2023 at 10:54 PM

FS

*Dear Peggy and family:  
I am saddened and surprised to hear of Tim's passing. We were table-mates at Regency during my recent rehab. We had many wonderful conversations. I never met anyone who drank more Diet Pepsi. May he rest in peace.  
Fr. Gary Snyder*

Fr Gary Snyder - December 07, 2023 at 08:15 AM

MD

“ *Peggy and family, I'm sorry to learn of the loss of Tim. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Maureen*

Maureen Dreess - December 06, 2023 at 06:29 PM

CT

“ *Prayers for Tim and all his family.*

Cecelia Thelen - December 06, 2023 at 05:21 PM



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