



## Richard D. Hafer

November 27, 1950 - November 23, 2023

A Memorial Service for Richard will be held on Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Geneva, Nebraska with Pastor Doug Griger presiding.

A Book Signing will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with family present from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at Farmer & Son Funeral Home in Geneva, Nebraska.

Graveside Services will be held following the Memorial Service at the Fairmont Public Cemetery in rural Fairmont, Nebraska.

Memorials are to be directed to the family to be designated at a later date.

Richard Duane Hafer was born to Orville Duane and Florence Darlene (Stephenson) Hafer on November 27, 1950 at Geneva, Nebraska, and passed away November 23, 2023, at his home in rural Fairmont, Nebraska at the age of 72. He was the oldest of 6 children in the family.

Richard attended Geneva Public Schools and graduated from Geneva Public High School in 1968. Furthering his education, he attended Lincoln School of Commerce and graduated from there in 1970. After graduating from college, he began working for Pepsi Company as a bookkeeper. In 1971, Richard was

united in marriage to Sondra Kay Holtmeier and to them their daughter, Marcia Lee, was born in 1973. Richard and Sondra moved back to Fairmont, Nebraska and resided in the house Richard and his brothers built from the ground up. Living back in Fairmont, Richard began working for Kaneb Pipeline in 1981 and worked there until his retirement in 2004. In 1982, he was married to Kristi Jolene Luebbe and to them 3 sons were born; Matthew Duane in 1983, Derek James in 1987 and Travis William in 1990. When Richard decided to retire in 2004 it was for good reason, he wanted to take time to help with harvest, hay bailing, livestock and most of all his grandchildren.

Some of the things he cherished most in life were his precious grandchildren, hunting, fishing and Nebraska Husker Football games. He loved attending sheep shows and would travel far and wide especially if his family was showing.

He never met a stranger and would strike up a conversation with anyone at any time. He loved taking the grandkids on rides in the tractor or mower and could always be found tinkering with his farm equipment or bailing hay. He was known for stocking his pantry with every single "Deal of The Week" and if you needed something, chances are he had it.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Orville and Darlene Hafer; wife, Sondra (Holtmeier) Hafer; sisters-in-law, Barb Hafer and Roxann Hafer.

Richard is survived by his daughter, Marcia Hafer-Marcus and husband, Matt of Virginia; sons, Matthew Hafer and significant other, Trisha Branum of Fairmont, Nebraska, Derek Hafer and wife, Nicole of Fairmont, Nebraska, Travis Hafer and significant other, Veronica Johnson of York, Nebraska; grandsons and granddaughters, Braden, Connor, Olivor, Braxtyn, Reyna, Harlee, Sonni, Brooklyn, and Brexley; brothers, Doug Hafer, Don Hafer, Bruce Hafer and wife, Shirley and Brian Hafer and wife, Brenda; sister, Susan

Lessert and husband, Dick; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairmont Public Cemetery

Fairmont, NE

# Previous Events

## Family Present for Book Signing

NOV 29. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Farmer & Son Funeral Home  
242 N 10th Street  
Geneva, NE 68361  
(402) 759-3617  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

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## Memorial Service

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NOV **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

United Methodist Church  
942 H Street  
Geneva, NE 68361  
(402) 759-3731  
[umc@windstream.net](mailto:umc@windstream.net)

# Tribute Wall



“ 43 files added to the album *Flower Arrangements*



**Farmer & Son Funeral Home** - November 30, 2023 at 01:17 PM



“ Dayle Turner lit a candle in memory of *Richard Hafer*



**Dayle Turner** - November 30, 2023 at 10:53 AM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the Hafer families*

*Frank & Karla Slezak*



**Karla Slezak** - November 28, 2023 at 11:39 PM

HF

“ *Holly & Doug Fischer lit a candle in memory of Richard Hafer*



Holly Rippe & Doug Fischer - November 27, 2023 at 11:27 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Richard D. Hafer.*



November 27, 2023 at 11:13 AM

PF

“ *Premier Trailer Leasing family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard D. Hafer.*

Premier Trailer Leasing family - November 27, 2023 at 11:13 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard D. Hafer.*



November 27, 2023 at 10:42 AM

NH

“ Nancy and Frank Harrison planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard D. Hafer.

Nancy and Frank Harrison - November 27, 2023 at 10:42 AM

VY

“ Verlene Lynn Yates lit a candle in memory of Richard Hafer



Verlene and Lynn Yates - November 27, 2023 at 09:38 AM

KT

“ Kent Rose Theobald lit a candle in memory of Richard Hafer



Kent and Rose Theobald - November 26, 2023 at 07:03 PM

VJ

“ Virginia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Richard Hafer



Virginia Johnson - November 25, 2023 at 02:33 PM

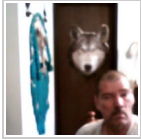
MM

“ Michele Marcus purchased the *Beautiful Dreams* for the family of Richard D. Hafer.



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**Michele Marcus** - November 25, 2023 at 09:27 AM



“ *R.I.P. Richard*

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**Randy Nun** - November 24, 2023 at 06:04 PM