



## Randy L. Latimer

March 3, 1949 - January 14, 2017

PIERCE -- Funeral service for Randy L. Latimer, 67, of Pierce will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 19, 2017 at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierce with burial at the Parish Cemetery, rural Pierce. Visitation will be held 4:00-7:00 p.m., Wednesday also at the Church with a Prayer Service beginning at 7:00 p.m. Military rites will be conducted by the Tomek-Otto Post #72 American Legion and the United States Army Honors Guard.

Randy passed away Saturday, January 14, 2017 at the Faith Regional Hospital in Norfolk.

Stonacek Memorial Chapel in Pierce is in charge of the arrangements.

The son of Ivor Lynn and Blanche Elsie (Smith) Latimer was born March 7, 1949, in North Platte. He graduated from Cozad in 1967 and from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1971 with a bachelor's degree in education with a History and PE emphasis. He also took classes at Wayne and Chadron state colleges. He served in the ROTC program while in college and the U.S. Army and Army reserves as a tank commander at Fort Knox and then switched to Army Reserve in December of 1972 and discharged in December of 1982.

He married Linda Lepert on Jan. 2, 1972, at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church in Plattsmouth. Randy was a school teacher at Pierce High School from 1974 to 2005. He taught social studies and American history. He continued to substitute teach at various local schools after retirement. He coached almost every sport and served as the junior class sponsor, a

SADD sponsor, drivers ed instructor, youth mentor, Close-Up sponsor and with the National Archery in the Schools program. He was a 4-H volunteer and shooting sports instructor since 1989. He was on the Pierce County 4-H Council, was a State Archery committee member from 1997 to present and was state 4-H instructor for archery and shotgun. He helped at the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational and various Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships. He was a Nebraska Game and Parks hunter and bow hunter education instructor and volunteered for all 12 years at the Missouri Valley Outdoor Expo's in Ponca. He was an archery team coach at Northeast Community College since 2012, a 3-D director and judge for U.S. Collegiate Archery since 2012.

He began bowling at Cozad Lanes with his dad, continued bowling through college and, most recently, was a member of Thursday night men's bowling league at Pierce Lanes from 1974 until it closed.

He was a member of Pierce American Legion, Norfolk Archery Club, National Field Archery Association, Nebraska Bowhunters Association, the Nebraska State Archery Association and USA Archery certified instructor. He worked with Boy Scouts, Aftershock program at Norfolk Middle School, Pheasants Forever and National Wild Turkey Foundation.

He found it very hard to say no to kids in the outdoors, especially when grandkids asked to go fishing, shooting, camping or cooking. He treated everyone as a family member and in return, everyone was family. He touched the lives of hundreds throughout his teaching both in the classroom and throughout the shooting community. In return, he had several "adopted" daughters, sons and grandchildren. A stranger was only a family member he hadn't met yet.

Randy requested that there are no suits or ties. The family asks our shooting family's to wear their shooters shirts or club shirts.

Survivors are his spouse, Linda D. Latimer of Pierce; a daughter, Jennifer (David) Thomsen of Pierce; a son, William Latimer of Sioux Falls, S.D.; a daughter, Becky (Matt) Carmin of Doniphan; four grandchildren, Sara,

Brandon, Makenzie and Addie; a sister, Nancy Meyer of Cozad; a sister, Linda Sue (Kent) Jensen of Eloy, Ariz.; a brother, Hank Latimer of Valentine, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ivor "Lynn" and Blanche Latimer, and an infant son, Mark.

Organist will be Celine Fehringer and soloist will be Robin Eberhardt.

Casketbearers will be Steve Schwartz, Mark Eggers, Dale Lorenz, Darin Greunke, Chuck Micek, Ron Soenksen, Ken Schneider, Don Wood and Monte Zierke.

Online condolences may be expressed at [stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery - Rural Pierce

Rural Pierce  
Pierce, NE 68767

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church - Pierce  
118 Willow St.  
Pierce, NE 68767

## Service

JAN 19. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church - Pierce  
118 Willow St.  
Pierce, NE 68767

# Tribute Wall



“ *Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Randy L. Latimer*



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**Stonacek Funeral Chapel** - January 17, 2017 at 01:28 PM



“ *Randy L. Latimer*

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October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Sara sent a virtual gift in memory of Randy L. Latimer*



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**Sara** - September 24, 2018 at 01:23 PM



“ *Sara sent a virtual gift in memory of Randy L. Latimer*



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**Sara** - September 24, 2018 at 01:22 PM

SA

“ Randy was a good friend. He was a big part of 4-H. He always loved his family and he will be missed very much.



Sara - September 24, 2018 at 01:14 PM

MG

“ Randy was a key member of the Norfolk Archery Club for years. He started with the 4H and brought many new members to the club because of it. He was also the coach of the Northeast College Archery Club. In addition he was a Nebraska Hunter Safety instructor as well as a hunter and an archer himself.

He never gave up. He fought through pain and disability to remain a faithful archer. He loved kids and he loved teaching. His positive attitude and gentle humanity will be greatly missed by family, friends, and students.

Marv Gibson, President, Norfolk Archery Club

Marv Gibson - January 24, 2017 at 10:55 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Randy L. Latimer.



January 19, 2017 at 01:05 PM

FH

“Randy, you will be missed. Your passion for teaching youth could be seen every day. I really enjoyed spending time shooting archery and working with you. The 4-H program thrives because of volunteers like you who take their hobby and passion and pass it on the youth. Nebraska 4-H shooting sports is stronger because of your work. All the kids you taught over the years have become the leaders for the next generation and your legacy lives on. Thanks for all you did for me and for sharing your passion for archery, life and family with me.

*F. John Hay*

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**F. John Hay** - January 19, 2017 at 10:43 AM

PH

“Pflasterer's, Bergt's, Palensky's & Horejsi's purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Randy L. Latimer.



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**Pflasterer's, Bergt's, Palensky's & Horejsi's** - January 17, 2017 at 02:14 PM

PF

“ We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Randy. He will be thought of and missed every time we remember 4-H shooting sports events. We first met him at the Expo at an Archery station and eventually saw him often at shooting events and working with him at the State BB gun and Air Rifle competitions in Wayne. Myles' first BB Gun shoot was at Pierce and Randy was so excited for Myles when he won his age group. We have such fond memories of Randy as he was a great friend to everyone.

*Our condolences and prayers are with his family.*

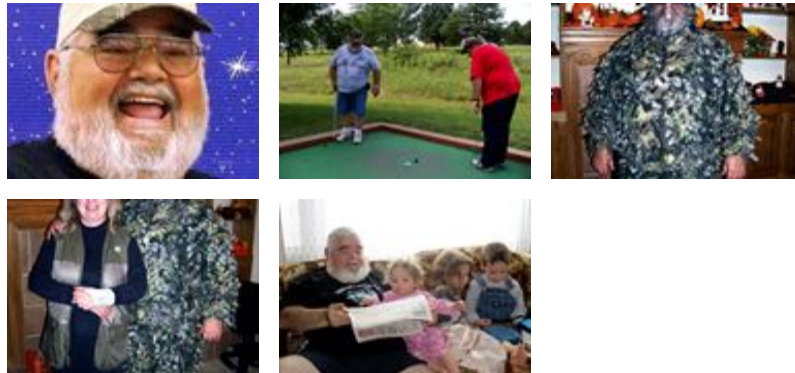
*The Flores family, Waterbury, NE  
Santos, Patti, Myles and Hannah*

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**Patti Flores** - January 17, 2017 at 01:56 PM



“ 97 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Stonacek Funeral Chapel** - January 17, 2017 at 01:11 PM

BD

“ *Bob & Vicki Snyder and Bob & Cathy Day purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Randy L. Latimer.*



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**Bob & Vicki Snyder and Bob & Cathy Day** - January 17, 2017  
at 11:51 AM

TC

“ *Tom, Gay, Elliott, Sophia, Alex, Alexandra and Con purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Randy L. Latimer.*



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**Tom, Gay, Elliott, Sophia, Alex, Alexandra and Con** - January  
16, 2017 at 07:47 PM

CS

“ *Cottonwood Archery Club and Archery Solutions purchased the A Full Life for the family of Randy L. Latimer.*



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**Cottonwood Archery Club and Archery Solutions** - January  
16, 2017 at 04:24 PM

LA

“ I will always think of Randy at the State 4H tournaments in Columbus and Grand Island. He will always be part of the spirit of these tournaments for me. Whether running a shooting line, handing out awards, setting up ranges, or riding around with a cart full of kids, the State 4H tournaments will feel incomplete without him. Shoot Straight in Heaven, Randy!

Laura Allen - January 16, 2017 at 03:31 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Randy L. Latimer.



January 16, 2017 at 03:00 PM

DW

“ The only acquaintance my wife and I had with Randy was through our daughter being coached by him on the NECC Archery Club. Being a selfless volunteer coach, we got to see first hand how much he cared for kids and instructed them in the ways of archery and the ways of life like they were his own. He alone put NECC Archery Club on the map! He made champions of these young kids not just in the archery arena, but also as citizens. His picture is the way I knew him and will always remember him. He simply enjoyed life and made life enjoyable for others. As a parent, we are indebted to Randy for the positive impact he made in our daughters life. He will be truly missed.

Dick and Sally Wallace, O'Neill, NE

Dick and Sally Wallace - January 16, 2017 at 08:44 AM