



## Steve Blank

December 30, 1956 - August 6, 2022

PIERCE -- Funeral service for Steve Blank, 65, of Pierce will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at the Christ Lutheran Church, Pierce. Officiating the service will be P.M.A. Jacqueline Samway. Burial will take place at Prospect View Cemetery, rural Pierce. Visitation will be held from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., Tuesday with prayer service starting at 7:00 p.m., all at Christ Lutheran Church, Pierce. Steve entered his heavenly home at his acreage west of Pierce on Saturday, August 6, 2022. Stonacek Memorial Chapel of Pierce is in charge of the arrangements.

Steve was born December 30, 1956 in Norfolk to Melvin and Mary (Synovec) Blank. He was baptized and confirmed at the United Church of Christ in Pierce. Steve graduated from Pierce High School in 1975, and at the same time met the love of his life Linda (Maas). The couple got married on October 3, 1975 at Christ Lutheran Church in Pierce. Steve was a lifelong member of this congregation and served on the church council several times. Steve and Linda had three sons – Seth, Brett, and Aaron – before giving one last try to have a girl. That blessing came with the birth of Darcie, and Steve could not have been any prouder!

Steve was a great man. He knew what mattered in life, and he did his best to pass those values to his family. He cared about his family and others deeply and would always be there to help when asked. Whether it was fish he caught or deer sausage he made, Steve loved sharing his blessings with others. He always wanted to make you feel like a friend. Speaking of friends, there was

no place Steve couldn't find one. He would often strike up conversations with total strangers everywhere he went. Sometimes these conversations would last longer than his family would've liked as they often had places to be and wanted to be on time.

Steve was proud of his family, as they are of him. He taught them to not fight over the small stuff. It was more important for his family to love each other and take care of one another than owning any earthly possession. He instilled his kids' work ethic and made sure his boys mowed the yard "just right." It could often be a daunting task. Steve loved hunting and fishing — most of the time with friends and family. He had a passion for growing his own produce in his massive garden. He shared that same passion attending his kids' sporting events and enjoyed showing the same support for his six grandkids.

Steve had so, so many good times. Playing fastpitch softball in his 20s and 30s, he crafted his friendly nature after games at the bar with his friends. He also loved taking family trips, playing late-night card games, spending days on the water catching fish, or doing family work on the farm. Steve was the center of it all even though he never wanted the attention. Steve was always there when you needed him--that's what made him the best dad. From carrying furniture each time one of his kids moved houses to providing a sense of calmness and clarity when life got too tough, Steve had a knack for making it all better.

Steve was preceded in death by his parents Melvin and Mary. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Linda; his son Seth and wife Angela; son Brett and wife Alissa; son Aaron and wife Monica; and daughter Darcie and husband Nick. He leaves behind six grandchildren – Makenna, Brynlee, Maci, Peyton, Owen, Graysen, brothers Mike (Bev) Blank, Mark (Deb) Blank, and Roger (Trisha) Blank --- all of whom he loved dearly. Steve's family is grateful for the time we had with Steve and want to share his memories with all of his friends and family. Casket bearers will be Wade Leisner, Nick Blank, Jeff Mass, Aaron Hooks, Kevin Maas, Trent Hoelscher, Justin Warneke, and Chad Maas. Honorary casket bearers will be Rick and Rose Schnoor, Dan and Kathy

Blunck, Doug and Judy Haas, Dale and Sharon Bruening, Jim and Karen Wachter, Jay and Larell Meier, and Roger and Cindy Warneke. Condolences may be expressed online at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect View Cemetery - Rural Pierce

Pierce, NE

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 9. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Christ Lutheran Church - Pierce  
506 South 2nd St.  
Pierce, NE 68767

## Prayer Service

AUG 9. 7:00 PM (CT)

Christ Lutheran Church - Pierce  
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Pierce, NE 68767

## Funeral Service

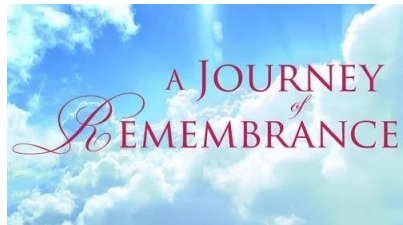
AUG 10. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Steve Blank*



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**Stonacek Funeral Chapel** - August 08, 2022 at 01:37 PM

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*Thanks For Sharing ALL The SPECIAL Memories of Uncle Steve, Was GREAT Getting To See His BIG SMILE ❤️. HUGS & PRAYERS To ALL Of You 🙏🙏🙏. Tami Jo*

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**Tami Jo Moody** - August 08, 2022 at 09:25 PM



“ *Steve Blank*

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October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM

MA

“ *he was the best grampa you could ever imagine and the funniest. If you walked into a gas station with him her would just be the nicest person to a random person he only saw the good in people. Those are the kind of people you remember*

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**maci** - November 18, 2022 at 03:29 PM

DA

*I still visit this site periodically, too, Maci. Miss him.*

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**Darcie** - December 16, 2022 at 02:31 PM

JL

“ Linda so sorry for your loss, praying for you and your family.

Julie Lienemann - August 11, 2022 at 06:26 PM

JM

“ Thoughts and prayers to all Steve's family and friends

jana (putman) markes - August 11, 2022 at 05:58 AM

JD

“ I knew Steve through his daughter Darcie who is certainly a testament to Steve being an incredible father. I remember that he was so easy to talk to and a very strong and capable man, we once hunted dove's on his property and after spending the morning without much success, he quickly showed us up and within a few minutes had harvested several, we followed and admired his hunting skill, he will be missed, our deepest condolences.

James & Anna Duin - August 10, 2022 at 10:15 AM



“ Heavenly Light was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.



August 09, 2022 at 07:19 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



August 08, 2022 at 07:00 PM



“ *Dad was an amazing person. He found a friend everywhere he went. He was a talker. He would start talking with strangers, and then tell us kids what he learned about that person. He loved learning about others and always did his best to help if he could. I will love him forever.*

**Seth Blank** - August 08, 2022 at 04:19 PM



*We always knew there was a chance his life would end like his dad, with the heart attack called the widow maker! Melvin entered Heaven at the north gate of the pasture and my love at the south pasture. At the same age! Both had clean bills of health prior to their death. So let me share this though: Do not put off what you can do today!! My tomorrow ended the day I lost him! We had so much planned! But I thank God for this person who made me a much better person and that I was so blessed to have spent sixth grade till Saturday! He was my best friend and the love of my life!! I know he will be there when my time comes and what a joyful occasion that will be!*

**linda maas blank** - August 09, 2022 at 02:29 AM



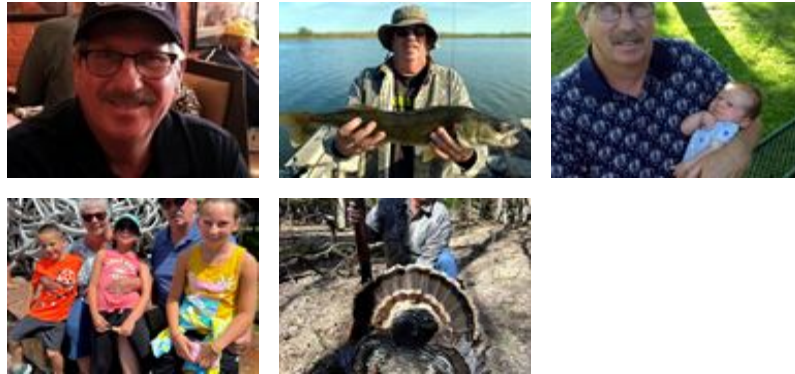
“ *Linda and family, Deepest sympathy in the loss of your husband, dad and grandpa. May you find comfort and strength from family and friends until you are reunited again.*



**Kelly & Gina Heath** - August 08, 2022 at 02:29 PM



“ 124 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Stonacek Funeral Chapel** - August 08, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia* was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.



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August 08, 2022 at 11:46 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.



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August 08, 2022 at 11:20 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 08, 2022 at 11:17 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 08, 2022 at 11:15 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 08, 2022 at 10:46 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 08, 2022 at 08:56 AM

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“ *The Beinke Family purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Steve Blank.*



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**The Beinke Family** - August 08, 2022 at 08:48 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 07, 2022 at 10:10 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 07, 2022 at 10:10 PM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Steve Blank.*



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August 07, 2022 at 06:35 PM