



## Steven "Steve" C. Grothe

March 20, 1952 - March 29, 2024

HOSKINS -- Funeral service for Steven C. "Steve" Grothe, 72, of Hoskins will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 6, 2024 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hadar. Officiating the service will be Rev. Rodney Rixe. Burial will take place at Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Norfolk. Visitation will be held from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Friday, April 5, 2024 at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. The service will be live-streamed on the Stonacek Funeral Chapel Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/stonacekfuneralchapel>. Steve passed away on Friday, March 29, 2024 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Steven C. Grothe was born March 20, 1952 at the Lutheran hospital in Norfolk, NE to Merlin and Bonnie (Nielsen) Grothe. He died on March 29th, he was 72. Steve fought a courageous and uncomplaining battle with numerous health issues for many years. He was baptized April 13, 1952 by Pastor H.H. Spaude. Steve attended district 3 rural school near Hoskins in Wayne County, a one room school house through 4th grade. He then transferred to Immanuel Lutheran School District 15 L in Hadar (a two-room school house), where he graduated 8th grade on May 19, 1966. Steve was confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church May 15th 1966 by Pastor E. W. Lindemann. He attended Pierce High School and graduated May 1970. Steve attended Northeast Community College, graduating May 27, 1972 with an Associate of Arts

Degree. Following that, he completed an additional year of Building Construction classes at Northeast Community College. Steve was employed by Herbolsheimer Construction for several years. He was then self employed as a building contractor until his retirement. He lived his entire life on 2 farms (a mile apart) near Hoskins, NE. Steve enjoyed fishing, gardening, and playing cards. He liked watching golf (with his mom), NASCAR, and This Old House. Steve was a perfectionist in his work as a contractor. He loved all animals, especially his dog Babe and cat Louie.

Steve is survived by his mother Bonnie Grothe, sister Patti and her husband Bob Ritzen of Longmont, Colorado, a nephew Erik Ritzen of Edgewood, MD., a nephew Ethan Ritzen of Helena, MT., and a niece Molly (Evan) Zamora, and great nephew Emmett of Louisville, CO. He was preceded in death by 4 grandparents, his father Merlin W. Grothe, and a niece Emily Jo Ritzen.

Organist will be Amy Bretschneider. Casket bearers will be Randy Kleensang, Roger Langenberg, Bill Langenberg, Ted Taylor, Brad Wagner and Myron Miller. Honorary casket bearers will be Bill Nielsen, Curt Nielsen, Landon Grothe, Lon Grothe, Jerry Hestekind and Wayne Hansen. Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery - Norfolk

1950 N. 13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk  
1200 N.13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
(402) 371-7676  
[info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com](mailto:info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com)  
<https://stonacekfuneralchapel.com/>

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 10:30 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Hadar  
2nd Ave. & Main St.  
Hadar, NE 68738

# Tribute Wall

JS

“ We at North Fork Area Transit enjoyed our short trips bringing Steven back and forth into his appointments. He was an enjoyable man. Prayer for his families and may he rest in peace with the Lord.

Julie Sweeney - April 06, 2024 at 11:46 AM

JA

“ Though a couple years older than myself he was a friend at Pierce High. Just a good level headed guy that always had a smile. More than one trips on the “bricks of main” 😊

John Amen - April 05, 2024 at 07:24 PM



“ Larry Spreeman lit a candle in memory of Steven "Steve" Grothe



Larry Spreeman - April 04, 2024 at 08:01 PM

RM

“ Good memories of Steve from grade school at Immanuel Lutheran in Hadar back in the day.

Rex Mittelstaedt - April 04, 2024 at 10:20 AM

RL

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Steve when he became a patient at DaVita Dialysis. I was the Administrative Assistant and I greeted Steve in the mornings when he came in for treatment. We would always talk about life in general

and I enjoyed these talks with him. I am so saddened by his passing. Wishing the family peace in his memory.



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**Ruth Lear** - April 04, 2024 at 10:03 AM

JF

“ Thoughts and prayers to you and your family 🙏

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**Jerry Fetner** - April 03, 2024 at 05:03 PM

PS

“ Patricia S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven "Steve" C. Grothe.

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**Patricia S.** - April 02, 2024 at 01:03 PM

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“ Our thoughts and 🙏's are with Family and Friends...



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**charlotte Reagan** - April 01, 2024 at 08:32 PM



“ Rest in Piece

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**Renee Risor** - March 30, 2024 at 02:19 PM