



Summer E. Ahlman

August 16, 1975 - January 15, 2026

NORFOLK -- A celebration of life service for Summer Ahlman, 50, of Norfolk, Nebraska will be held at 10:30 AM, Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at the Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. AJ Gandert will be officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Inurnment will be held at a later date. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family asks that you consider helping honor Summer's memory by donating to the Lexington Community Foundation's Relief Fund for workers recently laid off from the Tyson plant and their families: <https://www.lexfoundation.org/>

Summer was born on August 16, 1975 in Custer, South Dakota to Linda Patrow. Summer and her family moved to Norfolk in 1988, and she started dating her soul mate Grant Ahlman a year later. The two married in 1991.

Summer was a dedicated wife and mother, who never hesitated to make sacrifices for her family and loved ones. She built a career in accounting, shipping, and transportation. She worked her way up from the factory floor to managing complex logistics and compliance operations — and she did everything she could to give her kids and grandkids an easier life.

Summer was whip smart but endlessly humble; a gentle listener but never afraid to speak her mind; a generous friend and caretaker of her community;

and a lover of history, politics, and ideas. She made everyone she met feel welcome, and she always stood up for the little guy.

Summer loved riding motorcycles and attending rallies with her husband and friends. She never stopped learning, and was an avid reader and follower of current events. Her greatest joy was spending time with her children and her adoring grandsons, who called her "Nana."

Summer passed away on January 15, 2026. Her memory is kept alive by her loving husband Grant, her four children Kip (Jessica) Ahlman, Cyrus (Hannah) Ahlman, Alyssia Ahlman, and Austin (Noah) Ahlman-Nieting, her beloved grandsons Ronin, Emory, Abel, Lincoln, and Reid, her mother Linda, her sister Valarie (Donald) Bermel, her brother Donald Dykes, and her little sisters Christina and Emerald Dykes. She was preceded in death by her father-in-law, Lloyd Ahlman.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk
1200 N.13th St.
Norfolk, NE 68701
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ I am dearly sorry to read about the unfortunate passing of your mother. I never had the opportunity to meet Summer, but I did attend high school with Kip.
My deepest condolences to all her children, her husband, and her entire family.
Summer passed the same day as my dear grandmother, Fran.

Mary Williams - January 25 at 02:15 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



January 20 at 04:43 PM



“ — Your colleagues in the WHA/AC Office planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.

— Your colleagues in the WHA/AC Office - January 20 at 04:43 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



January 20 at 11:01 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



January 20 at 10:51 AM



“ Jason and Cori Kollmar planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.

Jason and Cori Kollmar - January 20 at 10:51 AM



“ Ami Stubben-Goetsch planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.

Ami Stubben-Goetsch - January 19 at 04:14 PM



“ The Johnson's purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



The Johnson's - January 19 at 11:09 AM

TJ

“ The Johnson’s planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.

The Johnson’s - January 19 at 11:09 AM

GS

“ Grady & Camryn Stephenson. purchased the Encanted Cottage for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



Grady & Camryn Stephenson. - January 19 at 10:07 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



January 19 at 09:14 AM

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“ ABATE District 14 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.

ABATE District 14 - January 19 at 09:14 AM

BH

“ *Billy & Jessica Hozeny purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.*



Billy & Jessica Hozeny - January 19 at 12:58 AM

CB

“ *Caleb and Sarah Bierman purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.*



Caleb and Sarah Bierman - January 18 at 10:54 AM

LC

“ *Lots of love from Bobbi Casper purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.*

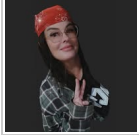


Lots of love from Bobbi Casper - January 18 at 12:52 AM

RB

“ *You will be missed so so much I am in shock and I don't want to believe it is true you are one of the greatest people I have ever met and it was A honor and a great privilege that I was able to call you my friend I love you*

Rusty Boggs - January 17 at 08:07 PM



“ *Jeni Hoppe lit a candle in memory of Summer Ahlman*



Jeni Hoppe - January 17 at 05:48 PM



“ *My sympathies and prayers.*



Marie Marie - January 17 at 01:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.*



January 17 at 11:46 AM



“ *Love Nick and Andrew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.*

Love Nick and Andrew - January 17 at 11:46 AM

KG

“ Kara Garside purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



Kara Garside - January 16 at 11:20 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Summer E. Ahlman.



January 16 at 07:48 PM

MS

“ Michelle Gilman Sams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Summer E. Ahlman.

Michelle Gilman Sams - January 16 at 07:48 PM