



Carrol Alvis Tjelmeland

Carrol A. Tjelmeland, 64 of Nevada died suddenly on Friday, November 8, 2013 at Mercy Hospital Medical Center in Des Moines. Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 14 in the Memorial Lutheran Church, 701 11th Street in Nevada. Burial of the cremains will follow in the Roland Cemetery.

Carrol was born on April 28, 1949 in Eldora to Talmer A. and Stella Marie (Enes) Tjelmeland. He was a 1968 graduate of Nesco High School. Carrol also attended DMACC. On May 1, 1992, he was united in marriage to Karen Ann Jacobson in Des Moines. Carrol was a beloved UPS driver for over 36 ½ years retiring only 4 years ago. He was currently employed by Sorem Sales in Nevada. Carrol was a member of the Memorial Lutheran Church. He loved being with his grandchildren and enjoyed collecting toy tractors, feeding the birds, squirrels and deer, watching sports and farming.

Carrol is survived by two sons, Chad (Stacey) Nelson of Nevada and Brent (Sara) Tjelmeland of Atkins; two daughters Korine Nelson of West Des Moines and Kari (Courtney) Pecenka of Van Meter; three grandchildren Ryan, Owen and Stella Tjelmeland; significant other Sherry Peterson of Nevada; a sister Anita (Alan) Johnson of Iowa Falls; four Tjelmeland brothers Norman (Vicki) of Zearing, David (Patti) of Huxley, Dale (Wendy) of Nevada, and Ron (Deb) of Zearing; numerous nieces and nephews.

Carrol was preceded in death by his parents and his wife Karen on June 18, 2012.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, November 13 from 5-7:00 p.m. again at Memorial Lutheran Church in Nevada.

A memorial fund has been established in loving memory of Carrol.

Chet Ryan Mortuary in Nevada has been entrusted with the care of Carrol and his family.

Tributes

Kay Mortimer wrote on Nov 13, 2013:

"I've always known Carrol as TJ. What a wonderful brother-in-law. TJ, Karen, John & I had many fun times together. He was such a kind gentle soul. We are going to miss him terribly. Our thoughts and prayers are with Brent. Sara, Ryan, Owen, Stella, Kari, Courtney, Korine, Chad and Stacey during this very difficult time."

Nicole (McMenamin) Darling wrote on Nov 13, 2013:

"Kari, Brent & family, So sorry to hear about your loss, thoughts and prayers go out to your family. "

Emily (Ambrose) Fitzpatrick wrote on Nov 12, 2013:

"Carrol, I was so very, very saddened to hear of your sudden passing on Friday. To your family, I extend my prayers and most heartfelt sympathies. My parents absolutely thought the world of you Carrol, and

even though you would have known them better than you might have known me, I most certainly knew of you and loved how you ALWAYS waved at me from your truck and gave me the most wonderful of smiles!!! You were undoubtedly everyone's favorite and most beloved "UPS Man." :) You have left such a legacy, and may your family take comfort in knowing that you so positively touched the lives of SO many people in Nevada and all throughout the County ~ where you truly spread your light and happiness with each delivery you made!!! This world could definitely use more people like Carrol Tjelmeland... may you rest in peace. "

Sandi Risdal wrote on Nov 12, 2013:

"We are so sorry for your loss...we surround you with our thoughts and prayers. What a neat guy.....over the years we've enjoyed good times....he was lots of fun at card club....he always had a smile and a way of spreading the sunshine. He will be missed....."

Jeff and Terri Todd wrote on Nov 12, 2013:

"It was good working with Carrol for many years. He will be missed. He was our UPS driver at Almaco and a good one at that. Always a smile on his face and very good natured. We enjoyed his retirement party and are glad that he did have some good years after retiring. Our condolences to the family."

Scott Hermann wrote on Nov 11, 2013:

"Chad your friends at BASF express there sympathy for you and your family. Carrol will be missed and never forgotten. Let us know if we can do anything for you"

Karen Gunderson wrote on Nov 11, 2013:

"Carrol was such a pleasant person. Always remember his smiling face as he delivered packages and everywhere else we would meet. So very sorry for your loss."

Julie Briggman wrote on Nov 11, 2013:

"I am grateful to have known Carrol for many years as our UPS driver and later as a friend. I would try to race his truck to leave a treat by the shop door before pickup time. He was never lacking a positive word or upbeat comment to brighten your day. He leaves us with a legacy of humor and humility. My deepest sympathy to his family and may memories of brighter times help to ease the grief they must feel. "

Paul Strum wrote on Nov 11, 2013:

"Carrol will be missed by most everyone in Nevada. Always had that happy grin, Always stopped to say hi when met on the street, Very hard worker, left us all, way to soon."

Terry and Judi Nessa wrote on Nov 11, 2013:

"So sorry to here about Carrol. We were classmates of Carrol and he was always such a nice guy, hard worker and a friend to everyone. The class of 1968 has lost a good soul. Our sympathy to his family."

The Rupp Family wrote on Nov 10, 2013:

"Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with all of Carrol's family. We hope you are able to find comfort in your many happy memories. Rest in peace, Carrol. "

Ron & Dianna Haley wrote on Nov 10, 2013:

"Our deepest sympathy to Carrol's family! Carrol always teased me when delivering any package..."Dianna your Victoria Secret package is here!" His dedicated service and smile no one can come close to his service and his friendliness! Even after retirement if we saw him in town he would always ask "how are you doing"? And smile and say he was doing okay. Loved his Facebook posts, especially wishing others a good day or happy mothers or Father's Day! Rest in Peace Carrol! "

JANET MAYO wrote on Nov 10, 2013:

" I always admired Carrol. He was always so fast and efficient at his job, but yet always had kind words and a smile before heading on to his next stop. Not everyone has those people's skills and can still be able to perform his job without a hitch. It just seems that everyone in! Nevada knew him. So sorry to Corrine and all of Carrol's family. "

Kindra Jones wrote on Nov 9, 2013:

"He always knew how to brighten your day! I missed him when he retired, but was always glad to see him around town. Now his light has burned out on earth and a new star is shining above. God bless."

Linda Cheek wrote on Nov 9, 2013:

"Where do you begin with Carroll. He was one of the nicest, friendliest guys a person could know. He always had a wave in the truck he was driving to EVERYONE. I always wondered how he could drive and still do that. A great guy and so hard to believe he is gone. Prayers to his family for you loss."

Bob Hattery wrote on Nov 9, 2013:

"Best UPS guy ever!!! So sorry for your loss!"