



Dennis Veldhuizen

October 28, 1960 - October 21, 2025

Dennis Veldhuizen, 64, of Oskaloosa, passed away on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, of a heart attack while doing what he loved – harvesting his crops.

Dennis Dean Veldhuizen, son of Melvin and Eleanor (Goemaat) Veldhuizen, was born October 28, 1960, in Oskaloosa, Iowa. Raised on a farm near Cedar, he attended school in Eddyville and graduated in 1979. From a young age, farming was in his blood; he helped his father with the farm work and bought his first tractor while still in high school. He married Judi Bruxvoort on June 8, 1979, at the Bethel Christian Reformed Church. They were blessed with three children and made their home on a farm near Cedar as well. Dennis married Jil (Converse) Fynaardt in 1996, and she passed away in 2017. Dennis remarried Judi on June 8, 2019.

Dennis's passion was the farm; he was a steward of his land, intending to pass it on in better shape than he received it. He was also meticulous in caring for his buildings, equipment, and yard. Early in his career, he raised hogs; more recently, he has focused on crops. Although he was never formally trained in mechanics and welding, he became an expert in both areas. His children knew they could always count on Dad to fix whatever they needed. Dennis loved having his grandchildren visit, playing in the pool, and spoiling them with juice and ice cream were two of his favorite pleasures. He also loved camping at the Iowa State Fair; roaming the cattle barns, exhibits, and

shows, and enjoying the fair food were secondary to relaxing on the deck with his family and friends he had made at the campground. Dennis was a member of Central Church, but for a time, a member of First Christian Church. There, he taught Sunday School – an experience he remembered fondly. Dennis also enjoyed his coffee group at Allied Gas – a place where they discussed solving world problems.

Dennis's family includes his wife, Judi; his children: Mandy (Curt) Johnston of Oskaloosa, Abby (Scott) Canfield of Des Moines, and Dustin (Megan) Veldhuizen of Oskaloosa; eleven grandchildren: Makenna, Chase, and Cole Johnston, Alison (Jake) Ross, Ashley, Quinn, Drew, and Elliot Canfield, and Holden, Madden, and Peyton Veldhuizen; a sister, Debi (Terry) Peter of Palm Bay, FL; his step-mother, Darlene Veldhuizen; and father-in-law, Jerry Bruxvoort.

In addition to his parents, Mel and Eleanor, he was preceded in death by his mother-in-law, Shirley Bruxvoort.

Funeral Services for Dennis will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 25, 2025, at Central Church, with Reverend Jon Nelson officiating. Burial will take place in Highland Cemetery, near Eddyville. Visitation will be held on Friday from 1-7 p.m. at Langkamp Funeral Chapel. Memorial contributions can be made to Central Church or the Mahaska Health Foundation for the Hospice Serenity House.

Cemetery Details

Highland Cemetery

2281-2285 330th Street
Eddyville, IA 52553

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory
2116 N 3rd St
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
(641) 672-2181
langkampfuneralchapel@gmail.com
<https://www.langkampfuneralchapel.com>

Funeral Service

OCT **25**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Central Church
815 2nd Ave. East
Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Tribute Wall



“ *Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis Veldhuizen*



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - October 24, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ *Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory created a Funeral Service for Dennis Veldhuizen in memory of Dennis Veldhuizen*



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - October 23, 2025 at 03:53 PM



“ *Judy, I watched the whole video, how wonderful! Know you are in my prayers in the next days and weeks that lie ahead. It was good to see you and chat with Jerry Friday. You are a very special child of the most high God!! Love, Mary Kelly*

Mary Kelly - October 25, 2025 at 09:20 PM

IS

“ *Irvin Slagter lit a candle in memory of Dennis Veldhuizen*



Irvin Slagter - October 24, 2025 at 04:47 PM

WN

“ *Wayne And Marla NILSON lit a candle in memory of Dennis Veldhuizen*



Wayne and Marla NILSON - October 24, 2025 at 12:50 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



October 24, 2025 at 08:23 AM

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“ *Grace Swanson (Accumold) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



Grace Swanson (Accumold) - October 23, 2025 at 05:49 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



October 23, 2025 at 05:32 PM



“ *So sorry to hear this. Dennis was a very nice person.*
Susan Gunnell

susan - October 23, 2025 at 12:37 PM



“ *Ellie, Lillian, Lily, Lydia, McK, Rachel purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



Ellie, Lillian, Lily, Lydia, McK, Rachel - October 23, 2025 at 11:35 AM



“ *The McLaughlin & Nelson Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Veldhuizen.*

The McLaughlin & Nelson Families - October 22, 2025 at 09:45 PM

TF

“ *The McLaughlin & Nelson Families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



The McLaughlin & Nelson Families - October 22, 2025 at 09:45 PM

CF

“ *Clint and Ashton Long Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



Clint and Ashton Long Family - October 22, 2025 at 07:51 PM

CF

“ *Clint and Ashton Long Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Veldhuizen.*

Clint and Ashton Long Family - October 22, 2025 at 07:51 PM

VK

“ *So sorry to hear this Judy. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Vicki Kelderman - October 22, 2025 at 07:16 PM

JR

“ *Jeremy Reigler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Veldhuizen.*

Jeremy Reigler - October 22, 2025 at 06:23 PM

JR

“ *Jeremy Reigler purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



Jeremy Reigler - October 22, 2025 at 06:23 PM

RF

“ *Russ, Michelle, and Ray Franzen purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dennis Veldhuizen.*



Russ, Michelle, and Ray Franzen - October 22, 2025 at 05:45 PM

CM

“ *CINDY MOTT lit a candle in memory of Dennis Veldhuizen*



CINDY MOTT - October 22, 2025 at 04:14 PM

JE

“ *Dennis and Tom Eveland had a great time teaching Sunday school together. During this time they forged a lasting friendship. So sorry for your loss.*

Joyce Eveland - October 22, 2025 at 03:25 PM

KL

“ *Judi and family,
My heart breaks for you. I am so sorry. I am glad the last years of his life were filled with happiness.*

Kathy Larsen - October 22, 2025 at 03:08 PM