



Stanley David Peterson, 73

July 29, 1951 - July 12, 2025

Grafton resident Stanley David Peterson, 73, passed away peacefully Saturday, July 12, 2025, at his home in Grafton, surrounded by family while listening to his favorite music.

Memorial services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at the Federated Church in Sutton, NE, with Pastor Edison Toe and Pastor Mary Scott officiating. Private family graveside services will be conducted at the Grafton Cemetery. A book signing will be held on Monday, July 21, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., with the family present from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at Sutton Memorial Chapel in Sutton.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Federated Church in Sutton or to the Grafton Fire and Rescue Squad.

Stan was born July 29, 1951, in Alliance, NE, to Frank Gust and Edna Irene (Shaw) Peterson, but moved between there and Colorado with his family and then served four years in the Coast Guard from 1970-1974. Stan then settled back in Alliance as he preferred Nebraska life rather than Colorado. This is where he met his wife, Kim (Kleinschmidt) Peterson while working on the Peterson Brothers Ranch. They married on June 30, 1979, in Sutton, NE, at the Federated Church. In 1982, Stan and Kim moved from Alliance and settled back in Kim's hometown of Grafton, eventually moving to the family

farm in 1999. They raised four sons: David, Will, Jeremiah, and Klinton who all remain local.

Stan had a strong love for his family – if something was happening to a family member, then it was his business. He always wanted to know where family members were and especially where or what the grandkids were doing. One of his greatest joys in life was being a grandfather to 10 grandchildren, and he lovingly was known as Grandpa Pete and Gpops.

Stan was known for his frequent phone calls and stops about town, harassing his friends in jest. Stan also enjoyed yard work and was known to have immaculate flower beds. He was a truck driver for over 45 years, the last 27 years driving for Torsen before retiring in 2019, logging over 4 million miles in his career.

His life's journey was complicated by a long battle with carcinoid cancer. Stan was diagnosed with his cancer in March of 2001, and he persevered through many treatments and surgeries, including a multi-organ transplant in December of 2015.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Kim of Grafton; sons, David (Krista) Peterson of Grafton; Will (Heather) Peterson of Sutton; Jeremiah (Amber) Peterson of Grafton; and Klinton Peterson of Grafton; 10 grandchildren, Tiana (Shane) Peterson Keslar; Tanner (Nataleagh) Peterson; Tori Peterson; Colby (Chloe) Peterson; Cason and Canon Peterson; and Breckyn, Kyler, Rory, and Witten Peterson. He is also survived by his older brother, Ed (Mary) Peterson of Fort Collins, CO; his mother-in-law, Donna Kleinschmidt; as well as numerous sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Stan was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Edna Peterson; his younger sister, Marian Campbell; and his father-in-law, Kay Kleinschmidt.

Previous Events

Book Signing

JUL 21. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sutton Memorial Chapel
804 S. Saunders, Ave.
PO Box 612
Sutton, NE 68979
(402) 773-4100
suttonmemorial@windstream.net
<http://www.suttonmemorial.com/>

Family Present At Book Signing

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Memorial Service

JUL 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

Federated Church
407 N. Saunders Ave.
Sutton, NE 68979
(402) 773-5336
<https://www.suttonfedchurch.org>

Tribute Wall



“ Larry And Joyce Klein lit a candle in memory of Stanley David Peterson, 73



Larry and Joyce Klein - August 03, 2025 at 03:30 PM



“ 24 files added to the album Flowers



Sutton Memorial Chapel and McLaughlin Funeral Chapel - July 22, 2025 at 01:32 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Stanley David Peterson, 73.



July 21, 2025 at 07:24 AM

CS

“ Kim, I’m so sorry to hear of Stan’s passing. You’ve had a long road, with rich experiences together, for sure. Deepest sympathies to you and your family.

Chuck Schroeder

Chuck Schroeder - July 20, 2025 at 03:14 PM

CH

“ I have so many fond memories of spending time in Nebraska with Uncle Stan, Aunt Kim, and the boys. Those trips—often with Grandma and Grandpa—out to Grafton were something I looked forward to every time! Whether it was time spent sitting around the table sharing stories, or just enjoying the simple pace of life together, Uncle Stan always made everyone feel welcome and cared for.

He was a truly wonderful man—steadfast, kind, and deeply devoted to his family. His warmth, quiet strength, and sense of humor left a lasting impression on all of us. Uncle Stan will be dearly missed, but his love and legacy live on in the memories we carry and the family he cherished so much.

Candice Hastings and family

Candice Hastings - July 17, 2025 at 09:56 AM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Stanley David Peterson, 73.

July 17, 2025 at 09:36 AM

CG

“ Carolyn Godwin lit a candle in memory of Stanley David Peterson, 73



carolyn Godwin - July 15, 2025 at 07:54 PM

LG

“ We know our words can't ease your pain, but we hope you know we are thinking of you and send our heartfelt and deepest condolences. Larry and Sandy Griess

Larry Griess - July 14, 2025 at 12:27 PM

RR

“ Rochelle Raymond lit a candle in memory of Stanley David Peterson, 73



Rochelle Raymond - July 14, 2025 at 11:19 AM

EW

“ Remember when. 😞
Down to 2 of us now. We were 5.
Will miss him. Here is to great memories.
Never forget the time he jumped out of 2 story window into the bed
of a farm truck.
He would pull on his ear when he had a pain somewhere or how
about the time he about blew off his fingers with a fire cracker.
Wyoming always had the best fireworks!



Eileen Wagner - July 12, 2025 at 06:10 PM

KB

*As cousins we all grew up together. We had some really good times!
Stan will be deeply missed!*

Kathryn Bath - July 15, 2025 at 06:32 PM

SC

*Kim and family. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I never had the
honor and pleasure of meeting Stan but remember how often you
referenced him when we were working together on the RFI. May your
memories with Stan help you negotiate these difficult times.*

Sam Cordes - July 15, 2025 at 08:26 PM