

When I'm Gone

When I come to the end of my journey
And I travel my last weary mile
Just forget if you can, that I ever frowned
And remember only the smile

Forget unkind words I have spoken
Remember some good I have done
Forget that I ever had heartache
And remember I've had loads of fun

Forget that I've stumbled and blundered
And sometimes fell by the way
Remember I have fought some hard battles
And won, ere the close of the day

Then forget to grieve for my going
I would not have you sad for a day
But in summer just gather some flowers
And remember the place where I lay

And come in the shade of evening
When the sun paints the sky in the west
Stand for a few moments beside me
And remember only my best

In Loving Memory of

Lester David Showers

Born - January 19, 1946 - Avoca, Iowa
Died - September 23, 2025 - Avoca, Iowa

FAMILY WILL GREET FRIENDS

Sunday, September 28, 2025 - 5:00 to 7:00 PM
Pauley Jones Funeral Home - Avoca, Iowa

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, September 29, 2025 - 11:00 AM
Pauley Jones Funeral Home - Avoca, Iowa

CLERGY

Bonnie Dollen

CASKET BEARERS

Zach Rodenborn Garet Rodenborn Nora Rodenborn
Steve Carrier Jon Ekhardt Jason Engel

MILITARY RITES

Graceland Cemetery - Avoca, Iowa
Fred Funston Post No. 422 - Avoca, Iowa

An invitation is extended to those in attendance for refreshments and fellowship following the committal service at United Church of Avoca Fellowship Hall.

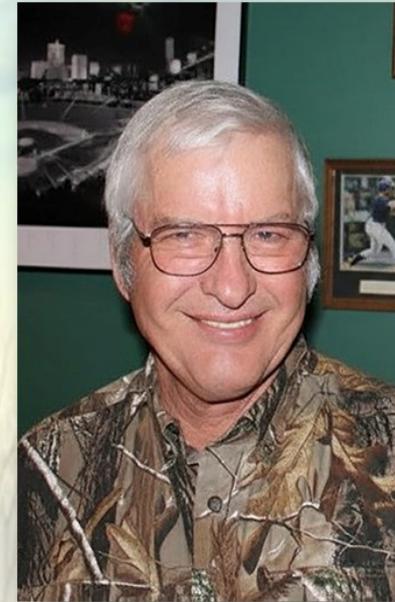
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Lester Showers, passed unexpectedly at his home in Avoca, Iowa, on September 23, 2025, at the age of 79 years, 8 months and 4 days. Born on January 19, 1946, in Avoca, Iowa to Gale and Marie Lamberty Showers, Lester was a man of many talents whose work ethic and passion for the land defined his life.

After graduating from Avoca High School with the class of 1964, Lester enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, serving his country with pride. Once back home, he dedicated 41 years of his life to Hallet Materials, where he made a name for himself as a dependable worker, always ready to lend a hand. Alongside this, he managed his farm,

Lester wasn't just all work; he loved to play with his toys—his tractors and fishing gear were his pride and joy. He often spent weekends hunting and fishing, creating memories that he cherished throughout his life.

He was predeceased by his infant son, David, as well as his mother and father, and siblings Leo, Helen, and Dennis. Lester is survived by his beloved wife, Linda Showers, who stood by his side through thick and thin. Together, they raised a family that includes their proud children: Christina Rodenborn of LaVista, NE; Craig Showers of Avoca; and Raymond Showers of Avoca. The family has been blessed with 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild who will carry on the legacy of a man who showed them the value of hard work and dedication. Lester also leaves behind his sisters—Marge Smith of Denver, CO; Maxine Prochnow of Kansas City, MO; Jean Knapp of Omaha, NE; and Judy Stender of North Liberty, IA—along with numerous nieces, nephews, other family members, and many friends who were fortunate enough to know him.



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