

Douglas Gerard Plueger, son of Donald and Madonna (Ripperda) Plueger, was born July 11, 1954, at Le Mars, Iowa. Doug grew up in Rock Valley and graduated from Rock Valley High School, Class of 1972. Doug married Susan Gerritsen on April 15, 1983, and to this union two children were born, Jason and Jamie.

Doug worked as an HVAC technician for CW Suter Services in Sioux City, Iowa, for 40 plus years. When he wasn't working Doug enjoyed hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family. Doug passed away Friday, July 18, 2025, at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the age of 71.

Doug is survived by his wife of 42 years, Sue; son, Jason Plueger of Rock Valley; daughter, Jamie Plueger of Rock Valley; 5 grandchildren, Kya, Annor, Emma, Jada, and Bailey; 6 siblings, Suzanne (Galen) Schemmel of Alford, Iowa, David Plueger of Canton, South Dakota, Duane (Kathy) Plueger of Marion, Iowa, Sandra (Harlan) Rens of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Darrell (Madona) Plueger of Goodyear, Arizona, and Daniel (Monica) Plueger of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; sister-in-law, Bev Plueger of Rock Valley; and many nieces and nephews.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Madonna; and brother, Dale Plueger.

In Loving Memory
Douglas Gerard Plueger
July 11, 1954 ~ July 18, 2025

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL
11:00 AM, Tuesday, July 22, 2025
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Rock Valley, Iowa

CELEBRANT
Father Mauro Sanchez

ACCOMPANIST
Shelli Rens

MUSICAL SELECTIONS
Entrance: "Be Not Afraid" #690
Psalm: "Shepherd Me O God" #769
Offering: "Prayer of St. Francis" #576
Communion: "The Supper of the Lord" #579
Song of Farewell: "O Loving God"
Recessional: "How Great Thou Art" #799

PALLBEARERS
Chuck Van Sloten ~ Jerry Schemmel
Justin Reinke ~ Joey Plueger
Jeremiah Plueger ~ John Veldman

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Suzanne Schemmel ~ Dave Plueger
Duane Plueger ~ Sandra Rens
Darrel Plueger ~ Danny Plueger

Doug's family invites everyone to the church basement for a time of food and fellowship immediately following the mass.

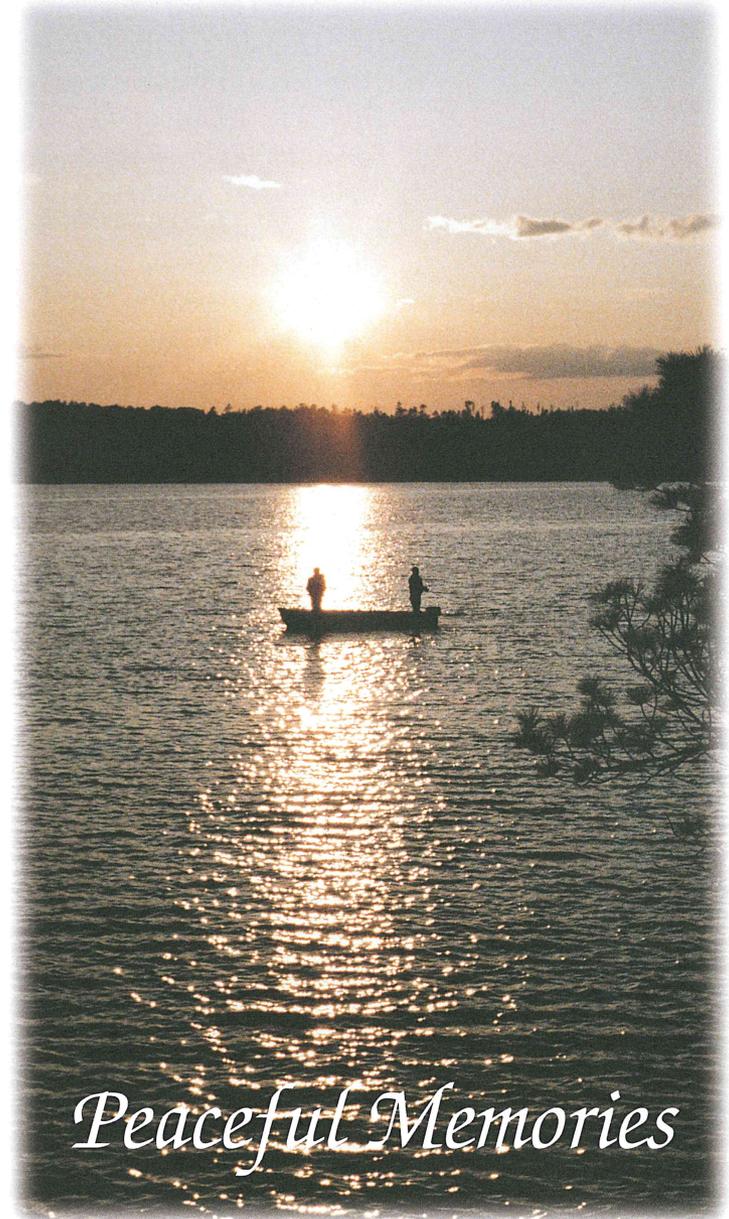
In Memory

*When I must leave you for a little while
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years.
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same;
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you
and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*



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