



Peter James Horstman, son of Gerrit J. and Ruth (Westra) Horstman, was born May 31, 1949, in Hull, Iowa. Pete attended school in Sioux Center, Iowa and was a graduate of Sioux Center High School in 1968. On November 21, 1969, he was united in marriage with Caron Ann Groeneweg in Rock Valley, Iowa.

Pete began his career at Hiway Implement/John Deere in Hull. In 1975 Pete began farming near Doon, Iowa. He enjoyed custom work, raising livestock, and being a mechanic.

Pete was happiest in his shop, turning wrenches or any other tool in his hands. He took great pride in overhauling and painting tractors and especially loved restoring his favorite tractors, John Deere. Pete also loved seeing the fruits of his labor planting and harvesting crops.

Other enjoyments in Pete's life were fishing, traveling, family vacations, and camping. He was a member of Doon First Reformed Church where he served as a deacon and elder. Pete also served 9 years of the Rural Water Board and 9 years on the Memorial Funeral Home Board in Sioux Center. Pete passed away peacefully at his home on Monday, March 31, 2025, surrounded by his beloved family.

Pete is survived by his wife of 55 years, Caron; 3 children, Virginia Horstman of Rock Valley, Leah (Tony) Salas of New Braunfels, Texas, and Phillip (Sara) Horstman of Doon; 5 grandchildren, Ainsley, Brinley, Kylee, Abigail, and Payton; step-granddaughter, Sierra; step-great-granddaughter, Melanie; 4 siblings, Russ Horstman of Tea, South Dakota, Jolene (Ken) Vander Ziel of Rock Valley, Linda (Dave) Van Eck of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Lorna (Bruce) Midthun of Sioux Center; 8 siblings-in-law, Cheryl (Herm) Rozeboom of Rock Valley, Audrey (Leroy) Kreykes of Rock Valley, Arletta (Verlyn) De Weerd of Sioux Center, Sharla (Arlin) Hoogendoorn of Rock Valley, Shonna (Randy) Blankespoor of Rock Valley, Arlin (Carla) Groeneweg of Rock Valley, Donna (James) Van Beek of Ireton, and Doris (Duane) Van Der Brink of Rock Rapids, Iowa; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pete was preceded in death by his parents, Gerrit J. and Ruth Horstman; brother, Calvin Horstman; and parents-in-law, Albert and Joanna Groeneweg.

In Loving Memory

Peter James Horstman

May 31, 1949 ~ March 31, 2025

MEMORIAL SERVICE

2:30 PM, Saturday, April 5, 2025
Faith Reformed Church
Rock Valley, Iowa

OFFICIANT

Rev. Peter Kolb
Doon First Reformed Church

FAMILY REFLECTIONS

Leah Salas ~ Kylee Horstman

USHERS

Dave Huyser ~ Wade De Groot ~ Andy Anderson

PIANIST

Vicky Kooistra

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
"How Great Thou Art"
"Amazing Grace"

PALLBEARERS

John Huyser ~ Gary Koedam
Leon Mulder ~ Steve Abma
Wes De Groot ~ Glenn Postma
Dowie Melema ~ Gail Van Berkum

MEMORIALS

Doon First Reformed Church or Sioux Center Home Health & Hospice

INTERMENT

Hillside Cemetery
Doon, Iowa

Pete's family invites everyone for a time of food and fellowship in the Family Life Center immediately following the memorial service.

FINAL HARVEST

*He was bound to the land from the day of his birth
His roots anchored deep in the fertile earth
Nurtured, sustained, by the soil he grew
And his life, like his furrows, ran straight and true.*

*In faith, each spring, he planted the seeds
In hope, to reap his family's needs
With patience, he waited for the harvest to come
To gather the fruits of his labor home.*

*Ever turning seasons, the years sped past
Til the final harvest came at last
Then claimed anew by beloved sod
He was gathered home to be with God.*

~ Barbara W. Weber

