



David Allan McCombs

November 27, 1951 - January 3, 2025

David Allan McCombs, age 73, of Albia, IA, passed away on Friday, January 3, 2025, at MercyOne Medical Center in Des Moines, IA.

David was born on November 27, 1951, in Perry, IA, to Lloyd DeWayne and May E. (Jones) McCombs. He grew up attending school and graduated from the Albia High School. On July 2, 1972, he was united in marriage to Karen Jean Oye at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albia and to this union, 2 sons, Andrew David and Martin Allan, were born. David and Karen were blessed with 52 years of marriage prior to his passing.

David worked several different jobs over the years, including Chamberlains and Chicago Rivet in Albia and Union Carbide in Centerville. He most recently worked for 30+ years at Cargill, starting in maintenance and ending up in wastewater treatment prior to his retirement in 2014.

David was a man of great faith and was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albia. He was truly a jack of all trades who could build or fix anything and solve just about any problem. He was a talented carpenter and built his home. David had many hobbies and interests. He enjoyed being outdoors, working in his yard, flower gardening and planting trees. He also enjoyed boating, trap shooting, woodworking, and working on cars. He was a great cook who loved to experiment with foods of all sorts. He enjoyed

building and flying rockets and model airplanes. David was an animal lover, especially of his dogs, Happy and Chloe. He was a very kind and generous man who was willing to help anyone in need and loved to visit with others. Above all else, David's family was everything to him and he cherished all the time spent with them.

David is survived by his wife, Karen; 2 sons, Andrew (Gina) McCombs and Martin (Kiran) McCombs; 2 granddaughters, Satviki and Kylie; a grandson, Garret; 3 great grandchildren; a brother, DeWayne "Ivan" McCombs; and in-laws, Judy (Merle) Franzmier, Wanda Kaiser, Leeta (Scott) Sanger, Leo Oye, Bob (Val) Kaiser, Randy Kaiser, Lorraine Kaiser, and Linda Watts. David is also survived by his nieces, nephews, cousins, and a host of good friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd and May McCombs; in-laws, Molly McCombs Virginia (Tom) Thatcher; Dennis Kaiser, Colleen Kaiser, and Rick Kaiser; and his beloved dog, Happy.

Visitation with refreshments will be held from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Monday, January 6, 2025, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albia.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, January 6, 2025, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albia, with Dr. Jenna Harris officiating. Burial will follow services at Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

A memorial has been established to Heartland Humane Society in Ottumwa, IA.

Cemetery Details

Oak View Cemetery

Albia, IA 52531

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
N. 8th St.
Albia, IA

Funeral Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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N. 8th St.
Albia, IA

Tribute Wall



“ *My sympathy of Davids passing. He was a very nice person. He graduated in 1970 with our Albia High School Class*

Linda Johnson - January 25, 2025 at 06:43 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Allan McCombs.*



January 06, 2025 at 10:05 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Allan McCombs.*



January 05, 2025 at 03:48 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Allan McCombs.*

January 05, 2025 at 03:48 PM

AM

“ Sadden to see Dave passed... what a wonderful, kind , caring , loving, fun man he was!!
I remember Dave living just down the street from where I grew up (south main) id always see him& Karen drive by in a neat little car .. I also worked with him in the WWT Lab he always made the day & have something funny to say .
Many year's spending time at McCombs ' home .. we d play games , Dave would show me a new plant he got or what he was doing with his gardening, seems like he had a huge garden, and also inside lots of houseplants to this day I ve got1 Dave gave me .. he had a green thumb ! I'd tagged along a few times with Andy and Dave to trap shoot that was fun . He was a great cook! How I loved his FLAN!! No1 can make it like Dave could!!
May Dave rest in peace! he will be greatly missed! Prayers &hugs to family during this difficult time..
Ardys McGrath

Ardys McGrath - January 05, 2025 at 02:24 PM

TL

“ The Langs purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David Allan McCombs.



The Langs - January 05, 2025 at 11:50 AM

LS

“ 2 files added to the album David Allan McCombs



Leeta Sanger - January 05, 2025 at 11:45 AM

SS

“ David was a big part of our family. Fun to talk with and just be with. He was like a brother to me and I will miss him.

Scott Sanger - January 05, 2025 at 10:48 AM

FT

“ David was one of my father's best friends, if not his best. I have many, many memories of spending time at David and Karen's growing up. David's quick wit and wonderful sense of humor made him always fun to be around. Whether it was going boating, shooting guns, or one of the hare-brained ideas that dad or David came up with, David made it fun. He will truly be missed. Keeping the family in our thoughts during this difficult time.
The Frank Tharp family

Frank Tharp - January 04, 2025 at 09:48 PM

AB

“ So sorry for your loss. He was one of the best. Margaret and Audrey Beakler

Audrey Beakler - January 04, 2025 at 07:14 PM

VS

“ *David was such a nice man! Always enjoyed talking with him!
Karen, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers!!*

Valerie Selby Small - January 04, 2025 at 05:01 PM

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“ *Ardys McGrath lit a candle in memory of
David Allan McCombs*



Ardys McGrath - January 04, 2025 at 04:00 PM