



## Shannon Soder

October 2, 1965 - August 20, 2010

Shannon Stewart Soder, 44, died Friday, August 20, 2010 as a result of a heart attack at his home in West Des Moines, Iowa. Shannon was born in Iowa City, Iowa on October 2, 1965 to Wayne and Sharon Soder. Following his mother's death in 1967, Wayne married Judy Tuel in 1970 at which time she adopted Shannon along with his three older brothers. His youngest brother, Jason, was born a year later. While attending Stratford High School, Shannon was active in sports, dramatic arts, and speech and was a member of the Stratford Boxing Club. During the summers, Shannon also served as a lifeguard at the municipal swimming pool. Shannon graduated in 1984. Later, he attended Des Moines Area Community College in Boone and studied graphic design at the Ankeny campus. Shannon was a talented artist who enjoyed drawing and painting. He also enjoyed acting and was a member of the Boone Community Theater. He was able to apply his creativity and craftsmanship to his work at Redeker's and Swan Creek Cabinetry both in Boone, Iowa. Most recently he worked at Charles Furniture in West Des Moines, where he worked until his death. Some of Shannon's favorite times were spent enjoying time and swapping stories with his brothers, Christopher, Roydan, Blake and Jason, with whom he shared a special and unique bond. They enjoyed many adventures together including "The Soder Brothers Annual Great Northern Fishing Expedition" every spring. Humorous and engaging, Shannon was expressive and loving, and his children were his greatest joy. Shannon is survived by his children Ian Soder, Maryssa Soder and Xander Soder, his fiancé Lisa Pearson and their daughter Shali Soder. He is also survived by his mother Judy Soder; brothers Christopher Soder and wife Kristen, Blake Soder and wife Sharon, and brother Jason Soder and wife Lisa; along with nieces and nephews Laura Garvey, Andrew Soder, Meegan Soder, Rachael Soder, Elizabeth Brobst, Jascy Soder and Ross Soder. His parents; Sharon Soder in 1967 and Wayne Soder in 2004; his son Marshall Soder in 1994; and his brother Roydan Soder in 2008 preceded him in death. It was Shannon's wish to be cremated. A memorial service will be held on Saturday morning, August 28th at 10:00 a.m. at the Stratford Lutheran Church in Stratford with Pastor Joe Lambert officiating. Internment will be held at a later date. Those wishing to express their sympathies through a memorial may direct their gift to the Soder Family, the American Heart Association or the Iowa SIDS Foundation.



# Comments

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“ We are just finding out about your loss Judy. Please know that we are keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers,

**Jim & Kathy Bever** - August 31, 2010 at 12:19 PM

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“ My heart goes out to the Soder family! Shannon was full of life, anybody that knew him also enjoyed his keen sense of humor!  
God bless you Shannon it was a priveledge to know you! Your are greatly missed!  
RIP  
The Carter Family Ames Iowa

**Rudy carter** - August 29, 2010 at 08:20 PM

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“ Shannon was one of my best friends in college Where a large group of us became close and shared an apartment . He was a very kind hearted person who filled others lives with laughter..I send out my condolences to his family , most of all his children whom he loved so dearly! I am glad we kept in some touch through the years rest in peace friend ,we will keep your memory alive in our hearts forever!You will be missed  
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**Gina Wright** - August 28, 2010 at 01:23 PM

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“ My condolences goes out to Shannon's family and friends. He will be missed.

**Katherine Alberts** - August 26, 2010 at 08:09 PM

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“ Our condolences to Shannon's family ... but especially to his children ... your Dad will live on in your hearts forever.  
I worked with Shannon at Redeker's from 1988 through 1995. He'd drive you crazy with the sarcasm and the dry sense of humor ... but underneath all of that was a kind, gentle soul.  
Rest in Peace, dear friend ... may your family find comfort in knowing you are with Marshall, your Mom and Dad and your brother.

**Tom & Mary Jirik** - August 26, 2010 at 09:12 AM

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“ My deepest thought go out to the Soder family! He was the life of the party back in our younger days! Laughter is what he brought to us all! May he rest in peace with Marshall! He will be missed by a lot of old friends, new friends, and family!

**angie davis** - August 25, 2010 at 11:24 PM

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“ Shannon was a friend of mine for nearly 25 years. We had a lot fun together a few years ago, from all the nights we went out, to the road trips we took, to him being a groomsman in my wedding. He was a character that always made you laugh. It's very hard to see an old friend like him pass on when he meant so much to so many people, and then at such a young age. I will miss him. I do find comfort however, by knowing that he will now be reunited with his son Marshall, whom he lost a few years ago that he missed so dearly. My sympathies to his family.

**Janet Johnson** - August 25, 2010 at 09:02 PM