



Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II

May 21, 1949 - January 3, 2018

Andrew Graham "Andy" Baird II, 68, of Grand Island passed away Wednesday, January 3, 2018.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 10th, at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Father Don Buhrman is the celebrant.

Family will greet friends from 9:30 a.m. the day of the service, until the rosary begins at 10:10 a.m. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Andy was born in Ashland, Ohio, the son of Andrew Graham and Virginia (Meighen) Baird. After graduating from high school, he joined the United States Air Force and served as an air intelligence specialist for four years. He was honorably discharged January 14, 1972 and enrolled at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. On August 24, 1973, Andy married Susan O'Brien in Omaha. He went on to earn both Bachelors and Masters degrees in Geography, graduating in 1977.

His first job out of college was with the Southern Iowa Council of Governments in Creston, Iowa as an Economic Development Specialist. Andy worked with various economic development corporations over the next years, eventually ending up in Grand Island. In 1990, Andy accepted the position as President of the Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation, in which he served for 9 years.

Those who will forever cherish his memory include his wife, Susan; sons and daughter-in-law, Christopher and Kara Baird of Omaha and Aaron Baird of New York, NY; sister, Bettie Jenks of Clinton Township, MI; sister-in-law,

Beverly Baird of Johns Island, SC; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents; brother, Major Charles Baird; and sister, Patricia Smith.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later date.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 9:30 AM - 10:10 AM (CT)

St. Leo's Catholic Church

Rosary

JAN 10. 10:10 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 10. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Leo's Catholic Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Deepest sympathy to you all. I work at Chief Construction and met Andy through the work connection. He was always very kind and funny when he would come in, and never acted like he was better than anyone. Warm memories of a good working relationship.*
Kathy Miller

Kathy Miller - January 09, 2018 at 05:50 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.*



January 09, 2018 at 02:56 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.*



January 09, 2018 at 12:18 PM

SL

“ Scott & Kim Lemmon purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.



Scott & Kim Lemmon - January 09, 2018 at 07:39 AM

EL

“ In the 90s, I was economic development director for my county. I have good memories of Andy. He was kind to each person and enthusiastic about his community and the importance of economic development. I am holding him and his family in prayer. In sympathy, Ellen Lierk

Ellen Lierk - January 08, 2018 at 05:17 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.



January 08, 2018 at 11:19 AM

SS

“ Dear Sue & Family,
My prayers are with you. I will schedule a mass for Andy.
Blessings.
Steve Stillmunks

Steven Stillmunks - January 08, 2018 at 09:45 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.*



January 08, 2018 at 09:24 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.*



January 07, 2018 at 02:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.*



January 06, 2018 at 06:25 PM

SB

“ I have some terrific memories of Uncle Andy. I always think of him as laughing and joking, he had such a great sense of humor and always smiled. We all had such good times in Ohio when our family would get together. Picnics and swimming, boating, skiing, watermelon seed spitting contests in summer and sledding and snow fun in winter.

A more recent memory was when Sue, Andy, Chris and Kara came to my wedding. We were well into the reception and the family thought Andy was getting tired so they were getting ready to leave and he said No, he wasn't leaving until he danced with me and had some more fun. This is the only time Dave got to meet him and that is our most treasured memory from 11 years ago.

All our love and sympathy to you Aunt Sue, Chris and Aaron

Stacy Baird Bruno - January 06, 2018 at 05:09 PM



That's one of my favorite stories, Stacy!

Kara Baird - January 09, 2018 at 02:49 PM

BB

“ Beve & Graham Baird, Stacy & Dave Bruno purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Andrew "Andy" Graham Baird II.



Beve & Graham Baird, Stacy & Dave Bruno - January 06, 2018 at 10:05 AM

CJ

“ Although Andy was my Uncle we were born 7 weeks apart. We were like brother and sister growing up together during the early years of our lives. He was my first friend. Even after life took us to different locations we remained close. He was so lucky to have Sue who took such good care of him for over 19 years. Love and sympathy to Sue, Chris & Kara as well as Aaron & Amery.

Cheryl Johns
Harrison Township, MI

Cheryl Johns - January 06, 2018 at 08:38 AM

BW

“ I was introduced to Andy and Sue and kids, right before Andy's series of Health events, by Denny Busick. From that short time, I got to know Andy & Sue a bit. He was an energetic driving force,a "man with a Plan". He was robbed of his vitality at the zenith of his life, but he kept moving forward, as best he could. He is at peace. He is remembered. My best to his family.

Bob Wagoner - January 06, 2018 at 02:30 AM

LK

“ Sue,
I extend my deepest sympathy. Its been a long road for you. Now you can think he is finally at rest. You will have Andy with you always in your heart!
A friend,
Lois Kary

Lois Kary - January 05, 2018 at 09:17 PM