



## Edmund "Ed" A. Brown

November 2, 1941 - April 16, 2024

Edmund "Ed" A. Brown, age 82, of Grand Island formerly of Wood River, passed away Tuesday April 16, 2024 at CHI St. Francis Medical Center.

A celebration of life service will be held on Monday, April 22nd at 10am at All Faiths Funeral Home with Dan Naranjo officiating. The service will be livestreamed on the funeral home website. Memorials suggested to the Alda Volunteer Fire Department. Condolences can be left at [www.giallfaiths.com](http://www.giallfaiths.com).

Ed was born November 2, 1941 in Palmer, NE to George H. and Barbara T. (Swirczek) Brown. He grew up in Wolbach and then the family moved to Clarks where he attended school. After Ed's father passed away, he had to leave school to help on the family farm.

Ed was united in marriage to Sharon Smith on June 10, 1962. To this union four children were born. They lived in Clarks and Central City before moving to Wood River in 1971. In 1974, he bought a boat and camper and the family spent time camping and enjoying the Harlan Reservoir. He owned and operated Brown's Repair Shop in Wood River and then Alda until he retired in 1999.

Ed was on the Wood River Volunteer Fire Department for 12 years and with the Alda Volunteer Fire Department for over 30 years. He was proud to serve

his community and met many friends over the years. Ed served as a Councilman in Wood River for over 15 years. He was a member of the Mason's. In his free time, he liked to watch Nascar and sprint car races and playing cards, especially pitch. His greatest love and joy above everything else was spending time with his family.

Ed is survived by his son, Rory (Mindy) and their children, Nolan and Sadie; son, Brad (Trina) and their daughter, Kailee; son, Marty (Jamie) and their children, Alyssa (Jake) and Kolby; son in-law, David Green and children, Holly (Nathan) and Rebecca (Jalen) and sister in-law, Judy.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Sharon; parents; daughter, Shelley Green; brother, Robert and lifelong friend, Mel Earnest.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

APR **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Edmund "Ed" A. Brown*



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**All Faiths Funeral Home** - April 21, 2024 at 02:01 PM

SJ

“ *Brown Family,  
I am so sorry for the loss of Ed. I got to know him at Tiffany Square and we watched movies and had the occasional home cooked meal. He was such a great, easy going guy and he had a fabulous smile. He is missed.*

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**Sue Jeffres** - April 24, 2024 at 10:06 AM

KS

“ *I always enjoyed our summer trips to Nebraska and spending time with Uncle Ed and Aunt Sharon. One of my favorite memories is a Thanksgiving that we had at their home. It was filled with so much love and joy. Uncle Ed was so kind and caring, and I always enjoyed our conversations. We are sending our love to all of you. -  
Kelly & family*

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**Kelly Sommerfeld** - April 22, 2024 at 10:31 AM

SS

“ My sincere condolences for your loss!  
Eddie has always been a good friend to me!  
One of my favorites! He accepted me in the  
family and always had a smile and words of  
wisdom! Just a straight up guy! Rest in a  
peace Mr. Brown! 🙏🕊️✝️



Shirley Schirmer - April 21, 2024 at 08:56 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family  
of Edmund "Ed" A. Brown.



April 20, 2024 at 04:41 PM

MV

“ Mel, Leslie, Maddy, Scott & the Volkars planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in  
honor of Edmund "Ed" A. Brown.

Mel, Leslie, Maddy, Scott & the Volkars - April 20, 2024 at 04:41 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Edmund "Ed" A. Brown.



April 20, 2024 at 09:13 AM

MH

“ Marlon Hanson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edmund "Ed" A. Brown.

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**Marlon Hanson** - April 20, 2024 at 09:13 AM

JU

“ So sorry to hear of Ed's death. He was a great friend and we had many wonderful memories of the racing years, and raising our families. We will have to miss the service as we will be out of town but will be thinking of you all. Prayers and sympathy to all of you.  
Chuck and Judy Mead

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**Judy** - April 18, 2024 at 03:37 PM



“ Brad- Iffat and I extend our condolences for your loss. "May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace." TCD

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**Tom Dufresne** - April 18, 2024 at 11:35 AM

PL

“ I met dear Ed while visiting another resident at Tiffany Square. While leaving the facility, I approached Ed who was enjoying the nice weather outdoors. We had a nice chat and found we shared an acquaintance upon asking Ed's last name. Was it by coincidence or God's hand? I'd choose to think it was God bringing people together. He was indeed related to Judy who was my mom's dear friend many, many years ago. We had an instant connection which brought forth many wonderful visits. Ed was always a joy to share conversations about life and family and he became like a surrogate dad to me. I also enjoyed spending time with he and his friends during meals, bringing in goodies and our 1:1 time. I last spoke to Ed several weeks ago when he called me while in FL. He was so positive and shared "I feel good" when I told him he sounded good. I told him I would visit him when I returned to NE. Although no longer able to visit, I will now embrace his memory with all whom he loved. I will truly miss my friend and the endearing feelings I encountered upon entering his room. For today, I will cherish his memory as someone loving, kind, and embracing to others. In loving friendship, Trish Legg. May the spirit of God be with you always.

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**Patricia Jean Legg** - April 18, 2024 at 02:55 AM