



Randall S. Paulsen

February 20, 1968 - July 20, 2025

Randall Scott Paulsen, 57, of Central City, Nebraska, passed away at the VA Medical Center in Grand Island after a lengthy fight—one he fought with everything he had, right until the very end. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at Archer Zion United Methodist Church in rural Archer with Pastor Gordon Paulsen and Sean Amen officiating. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 23rd from 5-7 p.m. at Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Central City. Interment will be held at Archer Evangelical Community Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later time. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.soltwagnerfuneral.com.

Born on February 20, 1968, Randy lived a life marked by strength, and love. He proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1986 until 1994.

Randy was a lifelong NASCAR fan—if a race was on, you could bet he was watching. He worked hard, loved sweets (especially ice cream), and showed his love in quiet, consistent ways. When words didn't come easily, he'd bring you a Dilly Bar from Dairy Queen, and somehow, that said enough.

He held on—through every hospital stay, every setback, every impossible day until God finally reached out, took Randy's hand, and led him home. He let go,

surrounded by love.

Randy is survived by his mother, Merleen Paulsen; children, Angela Anderson (Paulsen) and Anthony Paulsen; siblings, Darla Belitz and Bill Paulsen; brother-in-law, Sean Gentrup; his granddaughter, Charlotte Anderson, who lit up his final days; and by Linda Tatro, the mother of his children, whose place in his life and heart he never forgot. He was preceded in death by his father, Dean Paulsen; his sister, Kim Gentrup; and his niece, Summer Simon. We believe they were waiting for him with open arms.

He will be remembered for the fight he gave, the love he showed, the ways he tried, and the peace he finally found. He was a father, a veteran, a man in recovery, and in the end—a grandpa who got to meet his baby girl.

Cemetery Details

Archer Evangelical Community Cemetery

Archer, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Solt-Wagner Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

JUL **24**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Archer Zion United Methodist Church
Acher, NE

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Merleen and family, I am so sorry for your loss. You all have a special place in my heart. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers -- May God hold you all especially close in the days, weeks, months ahead. Sending my love and hugs!! Connie Holmes

Connie Holmes - July 24, 2025 at 09:45 AM

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“ Merleen, I am so sorry. Please know I am praying for you--Donice Woodworth

Donice Woodworth - July 23, 2025 at 10:05 AM

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“ Love, Sean, Stacy, Carsten, and Tayden purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Randall S. Paulsen.



Love, Sean, Stacy, Carsten, and Tayden - July 22, 2025 at 08:41 PM