



# Lowell Frame

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**A** Life well lived Lowell Edward Frame came into this world October 21, 1923 on the family farm near Confidence, Iowa. He was welcomed by his parents, Joseph Edward Frame and Ruby Livona Robison Frame, and his 2 older sisters, Doris Maxine Ewing and Donna Jean Carpenter. In Lowell's words, "I had a great boyhood, a good friend, Doyle Davis, a good dog, Bruno, and a good pony, Betsy. I had freedom to roam, to build a treehouse, and fall out of it". Lowell started his quest for life learning at Hickory Ridge, Confidence and Corydon schools. His own words are, "When I went to Corydon High School I liked to play football and run track. I didn't get real good grades, but the best thing that happened in my whole life was this spunky little girl who had a locker next to mine, Merilynn Zoe Smith. We began as friends, then sweethearts, then married and became parents of our pride and joy for life, Connie". Lowell and Merilynn started their marriage on an abandoned farm near Confidence. Nearly 79 years later the farm is a tribute to their hard work and dedication. Lowell felt blessed to farm land that had been in the family for generations, Century and Heritage farms. He was a long time dedicated member of the faith community of New Providence Baptist Church. Lowell served in farm and community organizations, as well, including leadership in Farm Bureau, Farm Service, Pork and Beef Producers. He was named a Master Pork Producer in 1974. Lowell was appointed to the Grand River Mutual Telephone Board in 1980. He loved music and especially his young years as part of the Confidence Quartet with Carollton Ewing, James Frame, and Wayne Rissler, all long time friends and neighbors. Lowell and Merilynn enjoyed travel, especially in their motorhome with family. They visited all 50 states, Mexico, Canada, and Europe throughout the years. Many happy hours were spent boating on Lake Rathbun aboard "Hog Wild" with friends and family. Trips to their cabin on Table Rock Lake were enjoyed for many years. Lowell is survived by his wife of nearly 79 years, Merilynn Zoe Smith, their



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daughter, Connie Riemer and her husband, John. Lowell was especially proud of their grandsons, John Frame Riemer(Jay) and Joel Edward Riemer and he loved their spouses, Tina and Carolyn. He delighted in his 5 great grandchildren, Logan, Adam, Ashley, Benjamin, and Chloe Riemer. Lowell was pleased to pronounce them "church broke", his term. He is survived by nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. Peacefully going home to Glory, Lowell departed this well lived life December 15, 2018. Funeral service will be 11:00 am, Saturday, December 22, 2018 at New Providence Baptist Church in Confidence. A visiting time will start one hour prior to the funeral at the church from 10-11 am. Interment will be immediately after the funeral in Confidence Cemetery. Visitation will take place Friday, December 21, 2018 at Thomas Funeral Home in Centerville with the family present from 5-7 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the New Providence Baptist Church in Confidence and condolences may be shared at [www.thomasfh.com](http://www.thomasfh.com) or [facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome](https://facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome). To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Lowell Frame please visit our Sympathy Store. Cemetery Details Confidence Cemetery Confidence, IA Visitation DEC 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CST) Thomas Funeral Home - Centerville 501 North 18th StreetCenterville, IA 52544[[emailprotected](mailto:emailprotected)] Visitation DEC 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CST) New Providence Baptist Church 3254 Co Rd J18Confidence, IA 52569 Funeral Service DEC 22. 11:00 AM (CST) New Providence Baptist Church 3254 Co Rd J18Confidence, IA 52569



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**Thomas Funeral Home** posted:

October 21 at 12:53 PM



**Thomas Funeral Home** shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



October 13 at 1:31 PM



**Mary Ann Sifford** posted:

Connie, may you have blessed memories of your Dad. He and your Mom where loving hospitable folks. I missed seeing at the Class Reunion Brunch at your farm house this past August. They had always added so much to it. Keep your memories alive of all the blessings and love imparted to you. May the Lord's comfort and love be with you and your family.

December 25 at 7:00 PM



**Eunice Riemer** posted:

Lowell achieved great success in the Agricultural Realm. He rose from humble beginnings to the pinnacle of farming. But to me, I remember his humble heart & unassuming life. A life reflected in a poem written by Bobby Collier. I'm Just a Farmer, Plain and Simple I'm just a farmer, plain & simple. Not of royal birth But rather, a worker of the earth. I know not of riches. But rather of patches on my britches. I know of draught and rain, of pleasure and pain. I know of the good and the bad, The happy and the sad. I am a man of emotions. A man who loves this land, And the beauty of it's sand. I know of a spring's fresh flow And Autumn's golden glow. Of a newborn calf's hesitation, And an eagles destination. I know of tall pines, And long, waiting lines. Of the warmth of campfires, And the agony of flat tires. But I am a man who loves his job And the life I live. I am a man who works for God. I cannot succeed without his help, for you see, I'm just a farmer, Plain & Simple. My deepest sympathy to Merilyn, Connie & their families, With Love, Eunice Riemer

December 21 at 7:00 PM



**Full Of Love Bouquet** posted:

Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lowell Frame.

December 19 at 7:00 PM



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**Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum** posted:

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December 19 at 7:00 PM

BR

**Be My Love Bouquet With Red Roses** posted:

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KU

**Kathy Uebel** posted:

We feel so blessed to have known this kind wonderful man whose humility and graciousness was extended to everyone. We will never forget his great sense of humor and all the interesting stories he shared with us over all these years and will be always grateful for the impact he made on our life and the inspiration he gave to us each time we met. Heaven has a new angel that will continue to look after his family and those he loved. God Bless! Kathy & Fred Uebel

December 18 at 7:00 PM

CB

**Country Basket Blooms** posted:

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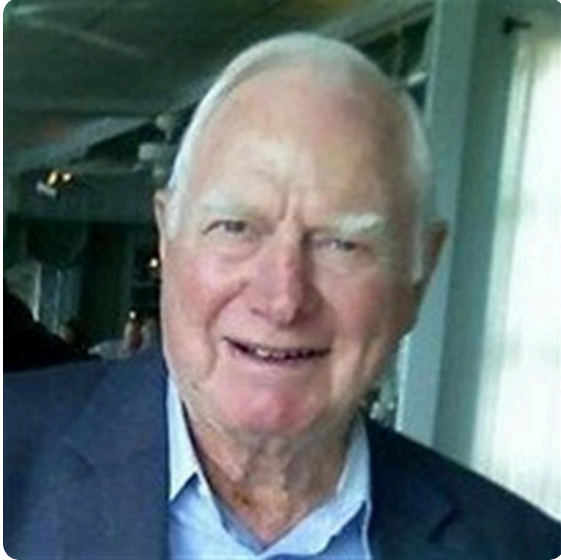
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