



Noel E. Carstens

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Noel Carstens, 87, of Lakewood, Washington, passed away on December 7, 2025.

Born on Christmas Eve in Argyle, Minnesota, to Edward and Lorryne Carstens, Noel was the second of four children—a quiet soul with a warm heart who grew up surrounded by family and small-town values. After serving proudly in the U.S. Army, Noel spent 35 years as a visual merchandiser, a career that allowed his artistic eye and creative spirit to shine.

He had a knack for making things look just right, whether it was a store display or a project at home. Noel went on to do similar work for Puget Sound Bank. Finally, he worked as a school bus driver for Clover Park School District until he fully retired.

In 1980, Noel married Carol, the love of his life, and together they built a home filled with laughter and love. He embraced Carol's two daughters as his own and later welcomed a daughter together, creating a family that became his greatest joy.

Noel was a man of many talents—he could fix almost anything and loved building things with his hands. Though gardening wasn't his favorite chore, he approached it with skill and patience, and his yard always looked beautiful.

In his later years, Noel enjoyed cruising around on his scooter, tinkering with his car and riding lawn mower, and savoring family gatherings where he could quietly soak in the joy of being surrounded by those he loved. He was gentle, kind, and soft-spoken, with a sweet nature that drew people to him.

Noel was generous and would help anyone who asked without complaint. He had an artistic streak, a love for mystery novels, and a signature style—his beloved flannel shirts.



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Noel was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather whose steady presence and quiet strength made life better for everyone around him.

Noel is survived by his wife of 45 years, Carol; daughters Lisa Steen, Kim Arkell, and Sara (Joe) Easton; grandchildren Alex, Christina, Steve, Jimmy, Jessica, Aubrey, Ana, Izzy, Abby, and Logan; great-grandchildren Leland, Daxton, Draco, and Cooper; sister Vicki Drogue; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Lorryne Carstens, and brothers John and Bob Carstens. Noel's life was a beautiful blend of creativity, devotion, and quiet grace. His legacy will live on in the hearts of his family and friends who will forever cherish the memories of his gentle smile and unwavering love.



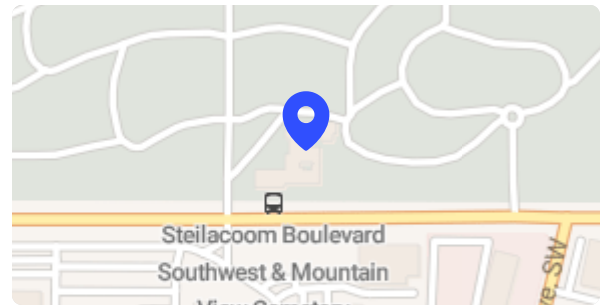
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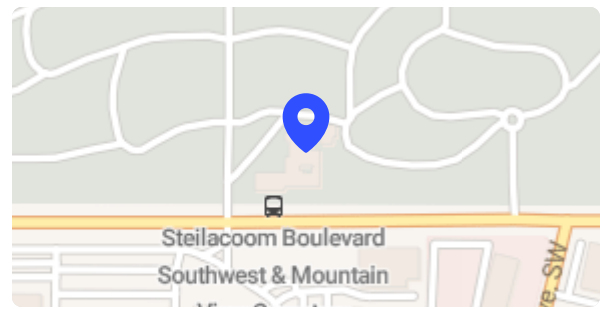
Service Information

- Monday**, January 5, 2026
- 11:00 AM PT
- Mountain View Funeral Home - Garden Chapel**
4100 Steilacoom Blvd SW, Lakewood WA 98499
- Graveside service and reception to follow.



Reception

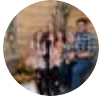
- Monday**, January 5, 2026
- Willow Room - Celebration of Life Building on the grounds of Mountain View Memorial Park**
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- Reception to follow graveside service.





Tribute Wall

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Sara Easton posted:

Dad jokes.

January 1 at 5:31 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Carstens family.



January 1 at 5:05 PM



Anonymous sent a Tender Tribute to the Carstens family.



December 30 at 1:53 PM



Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Carstens family.



December 29 at 11:18 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Noel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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