



Leonard Richard Haferman

March 28, 1937 - December 23, 2017

Leonard Richard Haferman, 80, long time resident of Fort Collins passed away December 23, 2017 from a fall earlier that day related to his long battle with diabetes and Parkinson's.

Born Easter Sunday, March 28, 1937, in Talmage, Nebraska he was the third child of Rev. Siegfried and Josephine Haferman. They moved to Elkhorn, Nebraska in 1948 where he enjoyed competing in several sports and made several life-long friends.

He married his high school sweetheart Janet Jean Ahlbrandt on June 17th, 1956 and they celebrated their 60th anniversary in 2016, one month before Janet passed away.

He was a born engineer and very mechanically gifted which brought him success in his 40+ year career at Teledyne WaterPik. There he was one of the original employees and assembled the very first WaterPik oral irrigation device. Prior to that he had worked at Woodward Governor as a machinist and served in the U.S. Navy.

He especially loved his accomplishments as a glider and private pilot, earning his pilot's license even before his drivers license. He also enjoyed tinkering for long hours in his garage, fishing and 35 years worth of trips to the family

cabin.

He was an active and faithful member of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (originally Bethlehem Lutheran) for 64 years, starting when his father was called to pastor in 1953, and where he met Janet.

He is survived by three children; Valerie Connor (Scott), Jon Haferman (Debbie), and Dan Haferman (Kelly), five grandchildren and seven great grandchildren, who all live in the area. He is also survived by his older sister, Betty Saeger from Connersville, Indiana, an older brother Bob Haferman (Cleone) and a younger sister Dorothy Northrup, who both live in Fort Collins.

The memorial service celebrating Leonard's life, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 12 at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 1200 South Taft Hill Road, Fort Collins.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given to Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Pathways Hospice or the Parkinson's Foundation.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 12. 2:00 PM (MT)

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
1200 S Taft Hill Rd Fort Collins, CO US 80521
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Tribute Wall

GR

“ I was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease four years ago. For over two years, I relied on Levodopa and several other medications, but unfortunately, the symptoms kept getting worse. The tremors became more noticeable, and my balance and mobility started to decline quickly. Last year, out of desperation and hope, I decided to try a herbal treatment program from NaturePath Herbal Clinic. Honestly, I was skeptical at first, but within a few months of starting the treatment, I began to notice real changes. My movements became smoother, the tremors subsided, and I felt steadier on my feet. Incredibly, I also regained much of my energy and confidence. It’s been a life-changing experience I feel more like myself again, better than I’ve felt in years. If you or a loved one is struggling with Parkinson’s disease, I truly recommend looking into their natural approach. You can visit their website at www.naturepathherbalclinic.com

Greta - October 29, 2025 at 07:15 PM

MB

“ My husband was diagnosed of Parkinsons disease 2 years ago, when he was 59. He had a stooped posture, tremors, right arm does not move and also a pulsating feeling in his body. He was placed on Senemet for 8 months and then Siferol was introduced and replaced the Senemet, during this time span he was also diagnosed with dementia. He started having hallucinations, lost touch with reality. Suspecting it was the medication I took him off the Siferol (with the doctor’s knowledge) him on PD natural herbal formula we ordered from TREE OF LIFE HEALTH CLINIC, his symptoms totally declined over a 3 weeks use of the TREE OF LIFE HEALTH Parkinson's disease natural herbal formula. He is now almost 61 and doing very well, the disease is totally reversed! (www.treeoflifeherbalclinic.com)

Mary belinda - September 22, 2021 at 03:13 AM

JK

“ My condolences to all of Leonard's family! Jon, your Dad and Mom are wrapped in God's loving arms. Happy memories will sustain you. Rest in peace, Leonard Haferman.

Jean Krause, Gould CO

Jean P. Krause - January 11, 2018 at 10:49 AM

BF

“ I will always remember Len on his 80th party. He was sharp, in good spirits, and welcomed everyone. I will make a donation, in his name, to your church on Friday.

Bob Fromme - January 09, 2018 at 03:53 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leonard Richard Haferman.



January 09, 2018 at 03:20 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Leonard Richard Haferman.



January 08, 2018 at 07:52 PM

KE

“ We are so sorry to read of Leonard’s passing. We are presently in Tallahassee, Florida to attend the wedding of Joy Davidson’s youngest son. We spoke of Janet and Leonard,fellow classmates, and planned to visit Leonard upon our return. We will miss Leonard, but are comforted that he is now with Jan. He was a wonderful man whom we greatly admired. Kay and Larry Edwards

kay edwards - January 07, 2018 at 05:27 PM

RS

“ I was so sorry to hear from Linda about your father. Carol and I thought the world of both your Mom and Dad.
Deepest sympathy, Ron Segul

Ron Segul - January 07, 2018 at 11:24 AM

MU

“ Our family grew up at Shepard of the Hills with this fine family. I recall the Hafermans always there, with Jan playing the organ and becoming friends with the Haferman boys. My thoughts are with the family.

Mike Urbom - January 07, 2018 at 11:06 AM

LJ

“ My lifetime favorite memory, and I told Len, was when he took Scott and I for a ride in his glider plane. Your parents were such great friends to my parents. I hope all 4 of them are enjoying their reconnection in Heaven.



Lynda Johnson - January 07, 2018 at 09:44 AM

LS

“ I worked at Water Pik from 1981 to 1996 and had many opportunities to work with Len. He was not only smart and talented but a good man as well. I enjoyed working with Len and glad our lives crossed.

Larry Smith

Larry Smith - January 05, 2018 at 06:34 PM