



## Matthew Siems

May 18, 1978 - February 21, 2021

Matthew John Siems, age 42, left his life on earth Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021, following a short illness. Matt graduated from Bolivar High School in 1997 where he loved playing golf and football where he wore jersey No. 77.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Chuck and Sandy Stanbro; and Dale and Gladys Siems all of Charles City, Iowa. He is survived by his parents, Barry and Leesa Siems of Bolivar; son Austin Siems, of Kansas City; daughter MacKenzie Siems of Bolivar; and Zoey Siems of the home; and their mother, Shyla Siems; granddaughter Maddilynn; sister Brandi Siems of Bolivar; brother Steve Pickens and wife Rachel of Colorado; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Matt was a loving father, son, brother, uncle and friend. Anyone who knew Matt knew his sense of humor and his love of the Iowa Hawkeyes and the Greenbay Packers. Since his passing, friends have reached out and overwhelmingly have described him as one-of-a-kind, nicest guy a person ever met, funniest person they knew, and a father who fiercely loved his children and his family. His daughter Zoey explained it best by simply saying, "He was all of it."

One of Matt's favorite things in life was to pick on his little sister, Brandi. They constantly bantered back and forth to see who would get in the best jab – they

both declared themselves the winner. When there was mischief to be had, they were partners in crime. Many of you reading this will know of a few of their shenanigans and may have even participated in one or two. Matt's most recent obsession and love was his beard. He and his brother, Steve, shared many, many tips and tricks on beard etiquette and attire; their beard-bond was a strong bond. Matt was a favorite to his nieces and nephews, and they too remember Uncle Matt as a jokester. Many laughs were had on road trips, camping trips and just hanging out.

Matt gave his mom her most treasured gift in life that of being a mom. Matt loved playing golf with his dad, but his favorite times with him were spent watching the Hawkeyes and the Packers. Their trips to Lambeau Field were definitely some of life's best times!

Matt will be missed by all, but he gave us all a gift to hold on to for life; the gift of a chuckle and a smile with every memory of him. Fly high and free Matt – until we meet again, GO PACK GO!

A celebration of life will be held at Butler Funeral Home Saturday, March 6, with a visitation from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., followed by a memorial service at 12:30 p.m. Please join the family at Silo Ridge County Club following services to toast Matt. In lieu of flowers, donations for Matt's memorial expenses may be sent to Butler Funeral Home in the name of Barry Siems.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 6. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar  
407 E. Broadway  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-5233  
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## Celebration Of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Matthew Siems*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Matthew Siems*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Danielle Cox lit a candle in memory of Matthew Siems*



**Danielle Cox** - March 01, 2021 at 02:55 AM



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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Matthew Siems.*



February 28, 2021 at 12:35 AM



“ *Eileen Barker lit a candle in memory of Matthew Siems*



**Eileen Barker** - February 25, 2021 at 07:45 PM



*RIP Matt. Love you. Matt always picked on me when I was visiting. He was funny, kind, loving and a very special dad, cousin, nephew, son and friend. You will be missed and I will see you again so you can pick on me some more.*

**Colleen** - March 06, 2021 at 06:31 PM



“ *Prayers of healing for the family. High school classmate to Matt.*

**Kara Miller** - February 24, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ *Garden Accent Stone - "Our Family Chain Is Broken" was purchased for the family of Matthew Siems.*



February 23, 2021 at 04:39 PM



“ *I played football with Matt in high school. He was one of the nicest guys on the team and we stayed in touch long after high school. Matt was a fantastic guy and will be missed.*

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**Derek Mitchell** - February 23, 2021 at 03:21 PM

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“ *It was the morning of jan 25 1997. The day before super bowl 31. Matt myself and barry left Minneapolis for green bay to watch the super bowl. It was bitterly cold that day. And on the way over I remember stopping in wausau to get gas and where matt was sitting. There was just enough of the window that was defrosted for matt to see out of. It was a great weekend. After packers won the super bowl we waited the next day almost 6 hours at Lambeau field for the parade to get there. And then we were able to go into Lambeau and celebrate. The next year we attended our first packer game. RIP LOVE YA.*

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**Thomas siems** - February 23, 2021 at 07:22 AM

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*I worked with Matt at KFC when y'all went to that game. He was so excited. I just loved working with him. He was like one of my own. A big lose to many. Remembering you Matt. You were a kind soul.*

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**Tonya sanders** - February 24, 2021 at 11:11 PM

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“ A gentle giant with a kind heart. 20 years ago, Matt's kindness and friendship was comforting during a difficult time for Victor and me. His unfailing and devoted friendship with Josh and Jamie have meant so much to all of us. He will always be in my heart. It is comforting to know we will see him again in heaven. I wish my words could take away the pain and would comfort you now during this time of loss. know that we are praying for you and share your grief. God is with you and will be with you during this time.  
Tamara and Dan Umscheid (Jamie's Mom)

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**Tamara Umscheid** - February 23, 2021 at 12:43 AM

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Matt was such a sweet soul. He introduced my niece Jamie to her husband Josh and through their friendship we met Matt. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of grief and sorrow, but we know because of his belief in God we will see him again.

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:1

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**Cher Hargis** - February 23, 2021 at 03:44 PM