

I grew up in the small town of Geneva, Nebraska. During my time at Shickley Public Schools in Shickley, Nebraska, I was often asked what I was going to do upon graduating. Like many other high school students, I was on my search of what I was supposed to do with my life. Having attended numerous funerals by the time I was in high school, I really started to notice the importance of a quality Funeral Director. One day it just sort of clicked that the funeral industry was what I was meant to do. My local funeral home personnel at Farmer & Son Funeral Home in Geneva, Nebraska have been great mentors to me throughout this process! Being from Nebraska, I was forced to look out of state for a program! I found DMACC and contemplated rather to move to Iowa or partake in the online program. Due to my learning style, I choose to move. I have learned so much in the program as well as meeting some great people along the journey! I have developed a life here in Iowa. I currently work for Iles Funeral Homes in Des Moines. I do a variety of work for them such as assisting the Care Team in the preparation of decedents, work services, and I also work as an administrative assistant from time to time. Wearing those many hats has allowed me to see everything in full circle. That has built the foundation of my understanding of this industry! Though I have loved my time here in Iowa, I have decided to return to Nebraska! I have accepted a position with Braman Mortuary and Cremation Services in Omaha. I am excited to start my future endeavor as I will be doing all sides of the business. At this point, I love all aspects of this career so I did not want to limit myself! I am thoroughly excited to be in this unique but crucial industry and see how it continues to change and progress with societal changes!