



## David Rowe

August 25, 1965 - August 13, 2011

David W. Rowe, 45 of Kearney died unexpectedly Saturday, August 13, 2011 at Estes Park, CO. Funeral Services are 2:00 P.M. Thursday at O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home in Kearney with the Reverend Dean Pofahl officiating. Visitation will be two hours prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the family. Condolences may be submitted at [www.osafh.com](http://www.osafh.com). Arrangements entrusted to O'Brien-Straatmann Funeral Home of Kearney. David was born on October 25, 1965 in Lamar, CO to Donald and Fran Rowe. He grew up in Granada, CO until he was 12 and then moved to Bandon, OR. He graduated from Granada High School in Granada, CO in 1984. He attended Lamar Community College and then graduated from Northwest Kansas Area Vocational-Technical School in Goodland, KS with an Electrical Technology Diploma. On November 30, 1985 he married Leah Hoyt in McCook, NE. The couple lived in St. Francis, KS where David worked for the City of St. Francis as a lineman. Their first son Levi was born in August of 1986 and they then moved to Ponca City, OK where David worked for the City of Ponca City as a lineman. Their second son Noah was born in September of 1988. In August of 1990 they moved to Kearney, NE where David worked with O & M Crew for the Nebraska Public Power District. He then became a sub station technician for NPPD and advanced to his current position of Senior Sub Station Technician. He worked for NPPD for 21 years. Throughout his 45 years of life, David had numerous hobbies including: RC Trucks and Airplanes, Sky Diving, Bunge Jumping, Fishing, Four Wheeling, Archery and

Hunting, Boating and Water sports, Snow skiing, Camping, Auto Restoration and Mechanics, Golfing along with Golf Cart Races, and Vintage Vehicles. David earned his private Pilot's License in 2010 and was a certified Scuba Diver. David was admired as a man of many talents and trades. David was baptized as a Baptist and then joined First Lutheran Church in Kearney, NE. David is survived by his wife Leah Rowe and his sons Levi and wife Jen of Kearney, NE, Noah and his wife Lerrin of Elm Creek, NE, his parents Fran and Donald Rowe of Pleasanton, NE, brothers Robert Rowe and special friend Teri Sadler of Kearney, NE and Mike Rowe and his wife Sabrina of Pleasanton, NE, and his sister Shelia White and husband Paul of Ravanna, NE. Other survivors include his father-in-law and wife, Larry and Patsy Hoyt of McCook, NE, mother-in-law LeAnna Leibrandt of Fort Collins, CO, Sister's-in-law, Lynda Woodard and husband Justin of Wellington, CO, Lanae Fritsch and husband Bob of McCook, NE and Leila Koetter of McCook, NE, as well as 18 nieces and nephews, 10 great nieces and nephews and no way of telling how many cousins, aunts and uncles. David was preceded in death by his grandparents George and Edna Rowe of Granada, CO and Ralph and Alice Adams of Quantico, VA, brother James Rowe of Granada, CO and infant sister Debra Rowe, grandparents-in-law LeRoy and Lois Leibrandt, Marvin and Rouene Hoyt and brother-in-law Darin Koetter all of McCook, NE. He was respected by many and loved by all who knew him. Many, many lives have been influenced by his love, generosity, spirit, and passion for life.

# Tribute Wall



“ *David Rowe*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Leah, Our hearts ache for you and your family with your loss of David. May God's hand be upon you all in this, your hour of need. May you seek Him and receive the comfort daily as you work through the coming days and future with the memories of such a man as David. We pray the hurt will not linger long and the memories will last forever.*

**Pat & Janice Howell** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Dave was joy to work with and he will be deeply missed. Our deepest sympathy to his family. Dan, Dave, Brent, Bill and TJ.*

**Lexington NPPD Office** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Our sympathies to your family during this very difficult time.*

**Tim and Stephanie Torczon** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I was in David's High School graduating class in Granada, CO. He was a great freind through High School. We lost touch after that and I just found him on facebook a few months ago and was excited to get back in touch with him. He was a great man. My condolences to his family.*

**Jennifer Hieronymus Reynolds** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

PA

“ Leah, Levi, Noah, and extended family. We are deeply saddened by the loss of your husband, dad, and friend. He was such a wonderful person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you..!!

Paula,Dave,Logan&Lauren - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

PG

“ Leah, Levi, and Noah; My deepest sympathies to you and your family on the untimely loss of your husband, and father. I went to NW Kansas Vo-tech him and enjoyed him as friend and classmate. I have ran into him several times over the years and he was always quick to express his love for all of you. He will be greatly missed!

Pat Gerdes-Holdrege - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

DF

“ Leah, My deepest sympathy to you, the boys and your whole family! My hugs and prayers are with you all...please let me know if there is anything I can do. Love ya, Donna

Donna Friehe - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SF

“ Our sympathy to all the family, friends, and co-workers of this wonderful man. The impact he had on our family in the short time we were acquainted leave us with a life time of memories to share. We are so fortunate to have known him and share in your grief. God Bless.

Sylvia and Don Fluhart - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

DM

“ Leah and Family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May God Bless You during this difficult time.

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**Deanna Dallam (Dyer) McCook** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

CK

“ I have nothing but fond memories of Dave from living in Granada and was always impressed by his fun nature, zest for life and genuine freindliness. Our deepest sympathies to Donald, Fran ,Leann, Levi , Noah and all his family and friends. We share your pain at his passing. Love Carla and Paul

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**Carla (Rowe) and Paul Kearney** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

PB

“ To the Rowe Family, We are deeply saddened by your loss. We were fortunate to know David and his family since they moved to Kearney. I had the pleasure of working with David for his entire career. He was indeed a talented, caring individual. He will be greatly missed, but please keep the wonderful memories of him in your hearts. Pat & Diane Budler

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**Pat & Diane Budler** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SC

“ Sending our love and hugs to you all. David was a special man who was taken from us way too soon and he will be missed. May all of your memories of him carry you through this time of sorrow. xo xo xo Love, us

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**Stephanie, Seth and Claire** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM