



Dean W. King

May 5, 1945 - May 6, 2020

Dean King, 75, of Elm Creek passed away Wednesday, May 6, 2020 at his home surrounded by family. Due to the circumstances, private services will be held Saturday, May 9, 2020 at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney with Roger Wendt officiating. Burial will follow at the Elm Creek Cemetery.

The family encourages messages of condolence to be made through the funeral home website at www.osrfh.com or send cards/memorials to the family in care of O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home, 4115 Ave N, Kearney, NE 68847.

Dean William King was born May 5, 1945 in York, Nebraska to Clyde and Ruth (Palmer) King. As the son of a pastor, Dean spent his youth living across the United States. He graduated high school in Pueblo, Colorado on June 6, 1963. On August 18, 1967, Dean was united in marriage to Cheryl Redlinger of O'Neill. The couple made their home near Elm Creek, NE on his grandfather's homestead. He graduated from Kearney State College with a Bachelor of Arts in Education on August 8, 1969. After college, he taught school. He was also employed by Plectron, West Pharmaceuticals and for the past 20 plus years he worked for his son, Shawn, at King Investment Properties.

Dean enjoyed studying the word of God daily, singing and listening to gospel music, playing trombone and guitar, riding horses, repairing vehicles and attending his kids and grandkids extracurricular activities. He also served New Life Church as deacon, a Sunday school teacher and was part of the worship team which included his wife who played organ. Together they frequently played special duets with him playing trombone or singing. Most importantly, he was always sharing his faith with others and helping those in need.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Cheryl King of Elm Creek; sons, Shawn (Amanda) King of Kearney, Jason (Lisa) King of Doniphan; daughter, Danelle (Michael) Benker of Greenwood; grandchildren, Zachary, Grace, Chloe, Sophia, Austin (Peyton), Alison, Ayden, Alex, Ethan and Shianne; sisters, Colleen (Wes) Combs of Pueblo, CO, Karen (Gene) Schachterle of Kearney; brother, Keith (Sandi) King of Monument, CO; brothers-in law, Oral John Redlinger, Verlin (Kim) Redlinger, and John Neth, all of Norfolk; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents; son, Shane King; sister-in-law, Beverly Neth; as well as several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Memorials are suggested to the Crossing Camp Grounds, Lexington, NE to which the family has strong connections. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services of Kearney.

Cemetery Details

Elm Creek Cemetery

5100 52nd Road
Elm Creek, NE 68836

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean W. King*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Blessing to all of Dean's family. We shared many blessed times at Pueblo First Assembly. Larry and Keith Moore*

Larry Moore - May 25, 2020 at 11:05 AM



“ *I worked for Dean in the parts room at Plectron after school, during the summer. Lots of good conversations. A warm, sincere, caring, gentleman. Many good memories.*

David Collins - May 09, 2020 at 11:43 PM



“ *We are so sadden by Dean'spassing . Our Heartfelt Love and Prayers are with you , Cheryl, Shawn, Amanda and the rest of the family . Dean was very SPECIAL to us!! So many wonderful memories ! Love Dawn and Kelvin Bayne*

Dawn Bayne - May 09, 2020 at 10:27 AM



“ *Cheryl and family - Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers for days to come. Blessings- Brenda Stouffer - Willenberg*



Brenda - May 09, 2020 at 01:02 AM

DB

“ 1 file added to the album Dean King



Danelle Benker - May 08, 2020 at 10:02 PM

JJ

“ To Cheryl & the entire King family I send my heart and prayers. I learned a lot from Dean some serious & a lot of fun. He was a wonderful man of God! Hugs to you all!

Julie J Jones - May 08, 2020 at 09:51 PM

MP

“ Cheryl and family Im so sorry. My treasured moments with Dean were the times shared in a bible study in Elm Creek. He spoke biblical truth into our lives. Will keep you in my prayers in the days and weeks to come.

Michelle Pearson - May 08, 2020 at 09:15 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. May he rest in peace.



Joyce Sullwold - May 08, 2020 at 05:48 PM

KR

“ Cheryl and family,

I am so sorry for your loss at this time. May the God of Hope give you peace and His Touch bring you comfort. Prayers to you.

Kimberly Rebman

Kimberly Rebman - May 08, 2020 at 02:59 PM



DM

“ We send our heart felt condolences to the King family. We have many good memories of Dean. Many lives have been touched and impacted by Dean. Always a smile, a good hearty laugh, an encouraging word. He will be missed. God’s blessings and comfort to you.

Dennis & Carolyn Mizell

Dennis Mizell - May 08, 2020 at 11:39 AM

MK

“ Cheryl and family, I am so sorry to hear of your earthly loss of Dean. May you have peace during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Malissa Kissinger - May 08, 2020 at 01:57 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dean W. King.



May 07, 2020 at 09:31 PM

LL

“ Cheryl and family, sympathy and prayers for the death of Dean..
Larry D. Lieb, son of Norma Jean Derickson Lieb.

Larry D. Lieb - May 07, 2020 at 07:03 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Dean W. King.



May 07, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Dean W. King.



May 07, 2020 at 06:13 PM

KL

“ I am so sorry to hear that Dean has passed. Our thoughts and
prayers are with all of you. Your family holds a special place in my
heart. Serving on the East 12 School Board with Dean was great
pleasure. We had some beautiful talks about God and family. We
will miss him. God Bless all of you.

Love,
Kathy (Burkey) Long

Kathy Long - May 07, 2020 at 12:28 PM