



## Glen H. Powell

February 9, 1949 - May 18, 2023

Glen Powell, 74 of Kearney passed away Thursday, May 18, 2023 at his home surrounded by family. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 26, 2023 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Inurnment will take place at Kearney Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Dobytown Kiwanis Backpack Program or to Kearney Literacy Council. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Glen Huel Powell was born February 9, 1949 in Chicago, IL to Huel and Betty Jane (Edwards) Powell. He received his bachelor and master degrees from Southwest Missouri State and later earned his PhD. From the University of Georgia. Glen was employed as a Professor of Education at Kearney State College/UNK from 1979 – 2012. While there, he was active in many things including Faculty Senate President and was awarded the prestigious Pratt Heins Service Award. Glen was also active in the community with Dobytown Kiwanis where he served as Lt. Governor, and Teammates Mentoring Program.

Glen enjoyed golfing, and volunteering at the Children's Museum and the

Classic Car Collection. He also loved to run and completed many road races.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Mary "Luzy" Powell of Kearney; sons, Jay (Esther) Powell of Framingham, MA and Scott Powell of Bothell, WA; grandchildren, Andrew, Ben and Beth Powell; brother, Chuck Powell; as well as many extended family and friends.

Glen was preceded in death by his parents; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jay and Ethel Buente; half brothers, Ken and Lee Sullivan.

# Previous Events

## Family receiving friends

MAY 26. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry for your loss, Glen was a great friend and also a great co-worker to WillamsBurg HyVee for many years in service.

Amanda Carr - May 17, 2024 at 10:12 AM

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“ Luzy and family, I was saddened to hear of Glen's passing. He was a great guy. Glen was a true professional. He guided many teachers in learning about reading. In the past several years I enjoyed seeing him up at the YMCA. My heart goes out to your family. May you find comfort in your memories of Glen and in knowing so many will miss him!

Linda Liebig - May 31, 2023 at 03:21 PM

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“ We are so sad to hear of Glen passing! We had not spoken for many years, but he was thought of often in memories of us growing into adulthood. Wonderful memories, so much fun and maybe a small bit of being just teenage boys! Loosing contact as we became adults, going in different directions, but always in our thoughts. Blessings to the family for comfort at this time.  
O.G. and Mary Hendricks

O.G. Hendricks - May 28, 2023 at 10:15 AM

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“ Luzy and family...We are so sorry for your loss. May God wrap you up and hold you close during this difficult time.  
Pam and Stan Murdoch

Pam Murdoch - May 25, 2023 at 08:14 PM



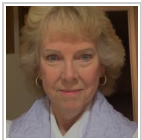
“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Glen H. Powell.

May 25, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ A wonderful colleague, distinguished academician, and true gentleman. His contributions across the UNK landscape from UNKEA to administrative leadership were highly valued. Glen was a trusted, respected, and honored individual.  
Roger Davis

Roger P. Davis - May 24, 2023 at 08:30 AM



“ Dr Powell was one of the nicest professors I ever had at Kearney State back in the 80's. Always enjoyed his classes as he was such a kind, soft spoken and approachable man who deeply cared about all his students. He was an asset to the teacher program and all those whose fortunate people who studied under him.

Bev Driscoll - May 23, 2023 at 08:48 PM



“ I worked with with Glen in the Office of Assessment. We were able to change the university's approach to assessment to meet accreditation requirements. In the process Glen and I moved from being colleagues to being friends. Glen was the best boss I've ever had and he is to be admired for his ethics and commitment to excellence. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Jeanne Butler - May 23, 2023 at 01:58 PM