



## Jim Hardekopf

January 16, 1945 - March 7, 2023

Jim Hardekopf of Centennial, WY, formerly of Kearney NE, passed away at Ivinson Hospital in Laramie, WY on March 7th. A graveside service will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 7, 2023 at Kearney Cemetery. A reception will follow at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. 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.

James Allen Hardekopf was born in Kearney, NE to Milton "Buss" Hardekopf & Irene Franz Hardekopf on January 16, 1945. He was active in many sports, graduating from Kearney High School in 1963 & Kearney State College in 1968. He & Patricia Sheen were married in 1964.

He spent his career working at Baldwin Filters as a Regional Sales manager before retiring. Jim loved to hunt & fish, snow skied in the Snowy Range & bicycled. He also carved wooden ducks. He & Pat moved to Centennial WY where they built their retirement home.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife Pat Hardekopf of Laramie; & several cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter Stacey Hardekopf, & his sister & brother-in-law, Joan and Harold Bragg.



# Cemetery Details

## **Kearney Cemetery**

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 233-3244

# Previous Events

## **Graveside Service**

APR 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I have talked to Jim over the years as he was ordering flowers. We had quite the conversations! I will miss that! I hope you are doing well Pat. May he rest now with your daughter. Rita ~ Kearney Floral Co

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**Rita Rodriguez** - April 02, 2023 at 01:14 PM

EM

“ Jim always lit up my day with h his smile. He and Pat became so very special to my heart over many meals at the Mountain View and times shared in their company. I will never think of him without a big smile and warmth in my heart. Pat all my love and strength.

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**Eva McFaul** - March 24, 2023 at 01:51 PM

AW

“ Jim and his family are so special. Our families would have a Christmas party together each year growing up with some others in the neighborhood and lots of cookies. I always thought Jim was so funny and loved his laugh, the whole family was so nice. I know it has been so hard on this family first Stacey and now Jim, they both are loved and missed so much but rejoicing in heaven. God bless the family we will be praying for you Pat and all the family. With love Kirby, Skyler and Amy Wilson

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**AMY WILSON** - March 23, 2023 at 01:30 PM

GR

“ *Mona Lea and I were so sorry to hear about Jim's passing. We have great memories of many fun times with had with Pat and Jim in high school and the years after. We played football and track together all through high school. Jim was a great teammate and friend. Rest in peace.*

*Gary & Mona Lea Randolph*

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**Gary Randolph** - March 13, 2023 at 02:42 PM

SM

“ *Pat and family. So sorry for your loss, Jim was my best friend all through junior high and high school. I have so many good memories of the times we spent together playing sports and just hanging out together. We had so many fun times. Just thinking about that brings a smile to my face, but tears in my eyes. I would love to hear from you sometime.*

*Stan Martin 402-416-6817  
6132 Old Farm Court  
Lincoln, NE 68512*

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**Stan Martin** - March 08, 2023 at 07:15 PM

CR

“ *I played basketball with Jim at Kearney High. He was a good player, but what I remember most was his sense of humor. I was a sophomore and Jim was a senior, but he always made me feel like I belonged. Very sorry for your family's loss. Chris Richardson*

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**Chris M Richardson** - March 08, 2023 at 07:08 PM

TS

“ Jim was a great guy and I'm happy he married into our family. We have good memories of our holidays together. Jim always had a smile on his face. *Trudy Sheen Schneckloth*

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**Trudy Schneckloth** - March 08, 2023 at 04:13 PM

BG

“ Patti, so sorry for your loss. You 2 were the cutest couple in high school. *Barb Bryant Gowlovech*

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**Barbara Gowlovech** - March 08, 2023 at 01:27 PM

AF

“ Jim was an awesome fun loving cousin. He always played pranks on us on Halloween and brought the "big bang" fireworks on the 4th. Tell Stacey hi for me.

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**Angie Foster** - March 08, 2023 at 11:49 AM