



## John Gage

September 19, 1963 - September 6, 2011

John R. Gage, 47 of Omaha formerly of Kearney, died Tuesday, September 6th in Omaha. Memorial services will be held 10:30 AM Monday at First United Methodist Church in Kearney. The Revs. Gary Main and Carla Gunn will officiate. A time to visit with family will be 2-4 PM, Sunday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. Inurnment will be in the columbarium at the Kearney Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the building fund at First United Methodist Church in Kearney. On-line condolences maybe submitted to [osrfh.com](http://osrfh.com). O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home and Cremations is in charge of arrangements. John Richard Gage was born on September 19, 1963 at Saint Catherine's Hospital in McCook, Nebraska to Rodger and Colleen (Newman) Gage. John received his Elementary and Secondary Education in the Kearney Public School system in Kearney, Nebraska. John continued his education receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Iowa State University and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Fort Hayes State College in Hayes Kansas. At the time of his passing John was employed as an Engineering Manager in the Coatings Division of Valmont Industries in Valley Nebraska. John was very fond of his family; he especially enjoyed his Nieces and Nephews. He considered them as his own children as he had none of his own. John was a very kind, loving person. John had a special love for his Sister, Roxanne his Brothers Dirk and Brent and his Brother and Sisters in Law. John leaves behind parents Rodger and Colleen Gage of

Kearney, his sister Roxanne Murphy and Her husband Don of Columbus, Nebraska, His brothers Dirk Gage and his wife Paula of Overland Park, Kansas and his other brother Brent Gage and his wife Andrea of Birmingham Alabama. John will be greatly missed by his four Nephews and five Nieces and a host of family and friends. He was preceded in death by his grandparents.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Gage*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I open my Heart for you Rodger & Colleen.. What a Great looking Son..Rod H.*

**Rod Heldenbrand** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Thanks to all of our friends and family who loved John like we did. Your love and support overwhelms and sustains us. Our appreciation cannot be expressed in words for all you have done for us. Rodger and Colleen Gage and Family*

**The Gage Family** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *To Brent and Family - I was a junior high / high school classmate of Brent's as well as college. My husband Doug and Brent were both in the same fraternity at UNK. My father passed away recently and I have been in Kearney quite a bit and saw John's obituary last night. We are very sorry for your loss. We know what a hard time this has to be for all of you and we will continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers, especially today while you celebrate his life. Please let Brent know we are thinking of you all and praying for your healing from his loss. Marci Story Asche and Doug Asche*

**Marci and Doug Asche** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

DF

“ *The Gage Family, I speak for Don and myself when we say how very sorry we are for your loss. Don spoke very highly of John "every day". He said he was very intellegent and very "dedicated" to his work, and Valmont. He had a great sense of humor, in his own way, and made Don laugh alot. Don will truly miss working with John. We hope his great smile and good memories keep him in your hearts forever. I wish I could have been there today, but my thoughts are truly with you all. Don said "John has a wonderful, loving and supporting family, just like his own traits." God Bless You All*

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**Don and Jo Fritz** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JW

“ *We were sorry to learn of John's passing... our sympathy to the entire Gage family.*

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**John and Cheryl Walker** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

DP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of loss. Your family has been a gift in our lives.*

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**David and Mamie Peers** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

AK

“ *Dear Roxie, So very sorry to hear of your brothers death. I have been thinking of you and your family. I send my prayers to all of you. May your memories and the strength of god help you through this time of saddness. Angie (Biehl) Kenney*

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**Angie Kenney** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

PF

“ Roger & Colleen & Family, I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. Please know that all of us are grieving with you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God hold you close and give you peace & comfort. Love, Pat Wallin & Family

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**Pat Wallin and Family** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JS

“ My deepest sympathies. I pray your happy memories of John will help you through this time of sorrow.

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**Jill Shannon** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KP

“ I was privileged to have worked with John on multiple projects during the last couple of years. He was a good and smart man with a wry wit. He will be missed by all who knew him. May God bless John and his family.

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**Kevin N. Tomasic @ CIC Pittsburgh** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SM

“ I only knew John a short time, but he was a kind gentle soul. I helped him look for and purchase his home in Omaha early in 2009. I never read the newspaper, but for some reason I did today and was shocked and saddened by the news. My heart goes out to John's family and friends.

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**Sandie McPadden** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

MM

“*Roxanne and Family - I am so sorry and saddened to learn of the death of this much loved son/brother/uncle/cousin.....You will be in my prayers. May God bless you with His infinite love and may all your memories sustain you through this very sad time. "Love you like family".....Marilyn Murray*

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**Marilyn Murray** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KT

“*I had the distinct priviledge of working with John on Valmont projects for the last few years. He was a good and smart man, with a wry wit. He will be missed by all of us who knew him. May God bless John and his family.*

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**Kevin N. Tomasic** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

TF

“*Roger, Colleen, Roxie, Dirk and Brent, Your sadness is felt by many of us. I am so happy to have known John, even for so short a time.' May only the happy memories survive in your hearts as you journey through this tough time Jackie Rosenlof*

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**The Rosenlof Family** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

MH

“*The Gage Family I was so saddened to hear of your loss. May you find peace in the love surrounding you and the wonderful memories. With sincere sympathy & many prayers, that God will give you his help, his strength and his hope during this time of sorrow.*

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**Marie Hoppenstedt** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KB

“ My deepest sympathy to you all in your great loss. There are no words sufficient to describe or ease the pain. But we never truly lose those we love; they remain safe in our hearts forever.

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**Kathryn Bjorklun** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KS

“ Just wanted you to know that your in my thoughts and prayers, I went to school with Roxanne and Mr. Gage you were a fantastic Principal.

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**Kristy Straatmann Schneider** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

MF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Gage family. I worked with John at Valmont Coatings and will always remember his witty sense of humor, deep conservative values and absolutely brilliant mind. I was always amazed at the things John not only knew, but how well he could speak to each of them. John will be greatly missed by the entire Coatings family. God Bless

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**Mike and Brenda Michalski and Family** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

AP

“ Just to let you know thinking about your family at this sad time. I am visiting my daughter in Lima, Peru and read the Hub on line and was sorry to read about John. Remember his smile and the Little League days.and great memories. Good memories at Northeast school and was in Paula's class. Just a note from South America. Old Friends Arlene & Paula .

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**Aelene Patsios** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

GF

“ To the Gage Family - Our sincerest condolences on the loss of John. He came here to Gateway, a Valmont Coatings Company in Indiana where he was proficient in his work in helping us with our mechanical needs. John was friendly, helpful, and will be missed by all who knew him. "Those we hold closest to our hearts never truly leave us. They live on in the kindness they have shared and the love they brought to our lives." RIP John

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**Gateway Galvanizing Family** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

CF

“ John's smile reminds me of him in the classroom. My thoughts are with all of you as you remember the special times together and work through your grief. My prayers go to all of you.

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**Connie Francis** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JB

“ Im very sad to hear of John's passing. We clocked a lot of hours chasing girls and recovering from our experiences at ISU. I can honestly say a lot of my sense of humor was developed from my friendship with John over the years. He will be missed.

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**Joe Bedard** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KB

“ To the Gage family, I am so sorry for your loss. Having lost my brother 9 years ago, I understand the pain and sense of emptiness that you feel at this time. Knowing that John is in heaven will help you all get through this difficult time. You are all in my thoughts and prayers at this time. May God be with you all!

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**Kristy Henderson Buchmeier** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JW

“ Roger, Coleen and Family, We are saddened to hear about your son John. We extend our condolences to you and the family. John and Lee Ward

John and Lee Ward - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SS

“ Keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers. There are no words that can make your sadness lighter, but know we share the burden of your sorrow.

Sandy (Peterson) Schumer - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. I knew John from way back at Northeast thru High School. He was such a smart and gifted person. May God hold your family in his Arms during this difficult time.

Kris Bryson Farias - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

DH

“ Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you daily.

Dennis & Terri Hirschbrunner - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JK

“ To the Gage family I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your son and brother. I remember him from grade school at Northeast. My prayers are with you and John. Thinking of you!

Jodi Hehnke Kreikemeier - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

GM

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss and having lost a son feel your pain. We wish there was more we could do but will keep you and your family in our Prayers God Bless Gerry & Sally

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**gerry & sally messbarger** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

AC

“ I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. I didn't know John well, but I know he was loved by all of you, and for that he was fortunate. Please know that your family is in our prayers. With Deepest Sympathy, Alyson and Mike Carlson

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**Alyson Hobbs Carlson** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

LB

“ I was so saddened to hear of John's passing. I know what an especially hard this time is for you, and please know my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Laurie Anderson Bartels** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

VR

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of your loss. As you comprehend this profound loss, let yourself cry knowing each tear is a note of love rising to the heavens. May your memories give you strength.

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**Valerie Miler Ruda** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SM

“ I am so sorry for your loss and the sadness and extreme pain you are all experiencing! I will always remember John's shy, beautiful smile! from Junior High and High School. My sincerest prayers are lifted to heaven for ALL of you! During these very difficult days allow God to cradle you in the palm of His hand. Find peace in knowing that John is in the PERFECT place we all desire to be in the end. You will ALL be in my thoughts.

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**Sara Messbarger** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

TJ

“ To the Gage family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Toni (Shada) Jackson** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

BH

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I remember John, and obviously all of you, very fondly! My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Bob Hansen** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KB

“ I have such a heavy heart to hear of John's passing. Such a great man to all in high school, which was a given coming from the parents he has. Mr Gage was my all time favorite principle. Please know that your entire family is in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Kylee (Brandt) Best** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

CF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. I have known the Gages all my life and you were a big part of it.

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**Cindy Francis** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

AN

“ *My heart breaks with the news that John has passed! Please know that the Gage family will be in my thoughts & prayers...as they'll always hold a special place in my heart!*

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**Ann(Messbarger)Erks** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM