



Kenneth W. Gilliland

September 12, 1960 - February 21, 2015

Kenneth W. Gilliland, 54
Gibbon resident

Kenneth W. Gilliland, 54, of Gibbon, died Saturday, February 21, 2015, at the Kearney Regional Hospital. Funeral Services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 24th, at the Spirit of Life Church in Kearney with the Rev. Greg Mast officiating. Burial will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7:00 p.m. Monday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Kenneth Wayne Gilliland was born September 12, 1960 in Blair, Nebraska to Elvin and Opal (Pitts) Gilliland. He attended country school at District #33 in Cumings County. Ken graduated from Lyons High School in 1978. He went on to earn a degree in Production Agriculture at the University Of Nebraska Technical School Of Agriculture in Curtis, NE. While there, Ken met the love of his life, Vicki Miller. The couple married July 7, 1979 in Kearney, Nebraska. Ken drove truck, farmed and ran a dairy for many years. Ken's family was very important to him. He will be remembered for his ability to tell stories and for always being there to lend a helping hand.

Ken is survived by his wife, Vicki Gilliland; sons, Justin and Jesse Gilliland; daughters, Kendra and Kassy Gilliland all of Gibbon; grandsons, Kyson Gilliland of Shelton and Gabriel Gilliland of Gibbon; daughter-in-law, Patty Wiehn of Shelton; parents, Elvin and Opal Gilliland of Lyons, NE; brother, Jeff and wife, Denise Gilliland of Oakland; sisters-in-law, Vangie Head of Kearney and Jeanne and husband, Les Christensen of Houston, TX; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his son, Kyle Gilliland and his grandparents, Lillie and Lloyd Gilliland and Edna and Oliver Pitts.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
info@osrfh.com
<https://www.osrfh.com>

Funeral Service

FEB **24**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Spirit of Life Church
3148 Dove Hill Road
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth W. Gilliland*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I just heard of Ken's passing today. I am so sad. I'm sure you all are devastated. I have great memories of growing up with Kenny & Jeff, our fun neighbors. All the fun we had in country school and the mischief we got into. Our deepest sympathy and hugs to you all! Lorrie Ulrich
David & Bryce*

Lorrie Ulrich - February 24, 2015 at 09:10 PM



“ *We are so sorry and sad for your family. Kenneth will be missed by all he touched. He was someone you could count on for anything and he always had the best smile when he saw you. Truly he will be missed....*

Becky Randall - February 23, 2015 at 03:43 PM



“ *John and Staci Rollman and family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kenneth W. Gilliland.*



John and Staci Rollman and family - February 23, 2015 at 03:22 PM



“ *Ken was such a friend to all of my children, Craig, Wade, Cynthia & Calvin Preston. They were in 4 H at the county fair years ago. May God be with you & Family at this time. Peace to you all. He will be miss here on earth. Sorry I'm unable to be there to comfort you all. Crystal K. Preston from Lyons, Ne.*



Crystal K. Preston - February 23, 2015 at 02:27 PM

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“ *Phil and Cristie Ullman purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kenneth W. Gilliland.*



Phil and Cristie Ullman - February 23, 2015 at 01:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kenneth W. Gilliland.*



February 23, 2015 at 12:28 PM

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“ *Kendra and Gabriel - I was deeply saddened by the news of your dad's passing. My heart felt condolences to you and your family. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Randy, Stacy, Karson, and Connor Paitz

Stacy M Paitz - February 23, 2015 at 12:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth W. Gilliland.*



February 22, 2015 at 06:56 PM

 Luann Saxton

“ *Thinking of Kenny and his family at this sad time. Many fond memories growing up with Ken in the same church family at Riverside Baptist Church. Prayers and sympathy to the family for strength, peace, and healing. ~ Luann Saxton*

Luann Saxton - February 22, 2015 at 06:19 PM

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“ *" Uncle Ken " was one of the good ones. We will miss him very much !!!
RIP Ole Buddy !!!!!*

Kelly and Kim Coons

Kelly Coons - February 22, 2015 at 06:17 PM