



## Kenneth Weigel

June 18, 1938 - April 19, 2010

Kenneth R. Weigel, 71, of Kearney died Monday, April 19, 2010 in Omaha. Funeral services will be at 11:00 AM, Saturday, April 24 at the O'Brien - Straatmann Funeral Home with Rev. Ken Hutson officiating. Interment will be in the Kearney Cemetery at a later date. Visitation will be held one hour prior to services at the funeral home. He was born June 18, 1938 in Hays, KS to Edward and Alice (Eggerman) Weigel. He grew up in Hays and graduated from Hays High School and Ft. Hays State University. He was a member of the Army Reserve from 1960-1968. On June 13, 1959, he married Connie Kay Cook in Hays. They lived in Salina, KS, where he was employed by the Duckwall-Alco stores. They moved to Kearney in 1979, where he was store manager at the Alco store, retiring in 1995. Survivors include his wife, Connie of Kearney; sons, Bob and wife Joanne of Omaha and Bill and wife Susan of Overland Park, KS; daughters, Kim Day and husband Charles of Miller and Shona Waggoner and husband Jeff of Kearney; brother, Jan Weigel of Hays, KS; sister, Phyllis Krueger and husband Hank of Overland Park, KS; and grandchildren, Kelsey and Erin Weigel, Bethany Weigel, Megan and Merry Day and Ashley, Madie and Colin Waggoner. He was preceded in death by his parents, Spotty and Alice Weigel and brother, Willy Weigel.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth Weigel*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Dear Weigel Family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know, belatedly, my heart is with you! Sincerely, Wendy Lantis-Soulek*

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**Wendy Lantis Soulek** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM



“ *I had the very positive experience of being a basement tenant of Ken and Connie from 2003-2005 when I was a UNK student. During this time I had the chance to not only develop a business relationship with Ken but a friendship. He was always friendly, trustworthy and easy to get along with. I know as well that he had a good deal of trust in me as renter to allow me to share part of his home with he and his wife. My lasting memory of Ken will be seeing he and Ben out for a walk in the morning as I was leaving for class or work. Connie and family- Please accept my condolences at this time on the loss of your husband, father, and grandpa. Thank you for sharing Ken with me during the time I spent in your home. Kaine McClelland Lincoln, NE*

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**Kaine McClelland** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

CC

“ My deepest sympathy to all of the Weigel family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Ken, (more commonly known to me as Bob’s dad 30 years ago), possessed the qualities of a parent that I hope to emulate. Ken possessed a unique personal quality - being able to effectively communicate with people from all walks of life. He definitely had charisma. He will be sincerely missed by all that were blessed by his time here on earth. The legendary tales of the Weigel basement/pool parlor will live forever.

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**Craig Chavet (Crittter)** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

KW

“ My Grandpa had a remarkable impact on more lives than I ever imagined as it has become apparent over this past weekend. He brought friends and family together again as was always his favorite of times, and I know for myself and the family all the sharing of memories in his honor kept us smiling and getting through this difficult time. I'd like to thank everyone who has shared and will continue to share these memories with us and especially Stephen O'Brien for helping us honor my Grandpa with a beautiful service. Love to all my family and those who are supporting us. And love to my Grandpa. As you always told me, Thank you for being you!

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**Kelsey Weigel** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

R'

“ Connie, Fifty years ago when I read of your marriage to Ken my first thought was "wow, they will make the perfect couple!...I bet time proved that to be true. My deepest sympathies on your loss. Rich Stine

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**Rich Stine HHS Class of '57** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

PH

“ Oh so many memories of laughter, joy, and happiness. Love to all.....see you in a few minutes. Phyllis & Hank

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**Phyllis & Hank** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

MA

“ Hello to the members of Mr. Weigel's family:

*You may not know me, but I am the manager of Bill's Liquor West in Kearney, Nebraska. I saw that Kenneth had passed away in the Kearney Hub and I felt compelled to say a few words.*

*Kenneth was one of my favorite customers. He always had a bit of wisdom or a clever statement to share with me. We spent several conversations getting to know one another, and I always admired his no-nonsense values and strong, conservative views on the world. I would like you to know that he has imparted a degree of the wisdom of frugality and moderation upon me.*

*Also, Kenneth got me interested in looking out for rare coins and old bills while I was on the job. He came in and gave me a coin collector magazine that I still have to this day. I used it to identify a few interesting silver dollars that found their way into the cash register. I wish I could have said "thank you" for bestowing this interest on me, as it makes the average day much more exciting when you know there's a chance a rare coin could walk through the door at any moment.*

*He was a good man, and I saw that he was a kind and patient individual when he referred to the troubles he had with some of his rental tenants, and how he often showed them more leniency than most people would. It takes true character to extend patience and good will to others in a society where such gracious actions are not always returned in full.*

*I sit here, saddened at knowing he will not again grace this store with a smile and a whimsical bit of knowledge. Please know that the time in which I knew him was appreciated. It is especially difficult to accept the loss of someone who has given off so much positive energy. Please accept my most sincere condolences.*

*-Mike Adelman, manager of Bill's West*

**Michael J. Adelman** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

DB

“*Connie and Family, Sorry to hear about the passing of Ken. We always enjoyed his visit to the store, keeping us in the loop of what was happening in the city. He will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

**Deryl & Chris Benz** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

DC

“*Connie and family, I am so sorry to read of Ken's passing. My thoughts are with you at this difficult time.*

**DeVona Caha** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

HC

“*Weigel Family - Please know that you are in my prayers and thoughts. I was sadden to hear of your loss. I knew him as Mr Weigel and enjoyed our conversations through the years after Alco.*

**Heather Christensen** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

DO

“*Kim & Family, Sorry to hear about your dad. My thoughts are with you.*

**Donna Ough-Murray** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

GF

“*Connie & family, We are so saddened to hear about Ken. He always seemed to love life and we enjoyed talking with him, whether it be at a garage sale or when he was out in the yard. May wonderful memories help you through this time.*

**Gene & Tamme Frick** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

DH

“ We send our deepest sympathies to each one of Ken's wonderful family members. Ken was a very loving, sweet and kind family man. And he had a great sense of humor. He loved his family and was always there for you. We hope all of his love and support will help you through these most difficult times. We will truly miss him. With Sympathy, Daniece and Morris

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**Daniece Waggoner and Morris Hansen** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM