



Marty Garringer

February 13, 1959 - January 22, 2023

Marty Garringer, 63 of Kearney passed away Sunday, January 22, 2023 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, January 26, 2023 at New Life Church in Kearney with Pastor Roger Wendt officiating. Interment will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to Kearney Crossroads. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

John Martin "Marty" Garringer was born February 13, 1959 in Nebraska City, NE to John and Nancy (Wondercheck) Garringer. The family moved to Kearney in 1968 where Marty attended Kearney High School, graduating with the class of 1977. He then attended Kearney State College earning his bachelor's degree in business and music education. Marty had a passion for music, especially the piano and organ. Over the years he had given countless private lessons to students in the area. Marty also had a love for pets, plants and baking pies. Most of all he enjoyed spending time with his nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews.

Left to cherish his memory are his mother, Nancy Garringer of Kearney;

brothers, Daniel (Paige) Garringer and Steve (Marni) Garringer; nieces and nephews, Luke (Amanda) Garringer, Sarah (Trenton) Talbitzer, Hannah (Jon) Stark, McCrae (Dana) Garringer and Maggie (Stephen) Heaton; as well as numerous great nieces and great nephews.

Marty was preceded in death by his father, John Garringer; and great niece, Thea Kay Garringer.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
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Kearney, NE 68847
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Funeral Service

JAN **26**. 10:30 AM (CT)

New Life Church
2715 W. 39th St.
Kearney, NE

Tribute Wall

LD

“ So sorry to hear of Marty's passing. Remembering the good old days of New Life when he made the piano jump in the little church, and the college and careers Bible study. So many laughs. He played beautifully for my wedding 32 years ago. Thanks for sharing him with us, he will be missed.

Linda Thayer Dunlay - January 28, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ Marty Garringer

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM

PM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Marty was a very gifted musician.
Pam and Stan Murdoch

Pam Murdoch - January 26, 2023 at 08:00 PM

BW

“ I am so sorry to hear of Marty's passing. He was always Happy to see me and share stories about his music. Marty used to be one of my frequent customers. He will be missed by many.



Brooklyn Walker - January 26, 2023 at 03:14 PM

JB

“ Class of 1977 will miss you Marty...

Janelle Beatty - January 26, 2023 at 10:33 AM



“ *Marty is finally where his music will be fully appreciated. I'm sure that all of us who feel we've lost a friend are sending our sympathies to all those who are his closest friends and family. May he rest in peace and rise in glory!* ”

Charles Peek - January 26, 2023 at 10:04 AM

MJ

“ *"Mr. Marty" was always a highlight of my week when he would come over to give piano lessons - something he did for years and years as I grew up. He was a core part of the musical foundation that led me to professional performance, and I'm so grateful to him for sharing his talent, passion, and artistry with me.* ”

My absolute sympathy to the family. I'll be playing a song for Mr. Marty from afar.

Mike Jensen - January 26, 2023 at 12:37 AM

FM

“ *Fran Murr lit a candle in memory of Marty Garringer* ”



Fran Murr - January 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM

DL

“ *Marty always had a smile on his face and always had time to stop and say hello your in my thoughts and prayers. Sincerely Dee Clinebell-liner* ”

Dee A Liner - January 24, 2023 at 09:46 PM

KA

“ As Marty's "senior" piano student, I looked forward to my lesson each week. He was a great teacher, talented musician, and good friend whom I will greatly miss.

Kari Anderson - January 24, 2023 at 09:46 PM

TA

“ Our condolences to Marty's family. Such a talented musician gone to soon. May peace be with you all! Gene & Tammy Frick, Kearney



Tammy - January 24, 2023 at 02:20 PM

KB

“ I was so fond of Marty and got to know him well when he was the organist at First Lutheran church. He was so talented and caring. My sympathy to his family.

Karen Bigelow - January 23, 2023 at 07:45 PM

VG

“ Marty blessed me with his musical talents so often when he played for worship services, funerals and other special services at First Baptist Church many years ago. His talent was truly God-given. Marty didn't just play notes -- he played music with a passion that came from within. I will always be thankful he shared that special and rare gift with me. -- Val Gwin

Valerie Gwin - January 23, 2023 at 04:05 PM

CW

Marty's angelic musical brilliance made his Life on Earth difficult. Sometimes we didn't appreciate him enough! His sense of humor, love for his dogs Cotton, Buster, and Molly, and his love of teaching music to generations made Marty truly a gift to Kearney. Sing with the Angels dear Marty. Char W.

Char W - January 23, 2023 at 07:36 PM

NG

“ *Very sorry to hear of Marty's passing!
He played for many family weddings and taught my son piano.
I always enjoyed our visits!
He will be missed!*

Nancy and Randy Gullion - January 23, 2023 at 12:05 PM

SM

*Oh Marty was so much fun to sing with! I had the honor of singing for Christmas service with Marty as my keyboard player. It was so much fun! I will never forget! It.
I met him when my son was in highschool, he subbed for a music teacher. Extremely talented!! Rest in peace Marty!!! My condolences to his family!!!*

Susan Muchmore-Phelps - January 23, 2023 at 10:06 PM

FH

*Marty was a very talented and kind person! He was always willing to accompany a person even if the music was not what he normally played. He played and I sang for many a wedding and funeral. Thank you for always being a Great Wingman! Rest in Peace Marty! My deepest condolences to the family!
Sincerely,
Forrest Holoubeck*

Forrest Holoubeck - January 24, 2023 at 10:45 AM

LK

Our family will miss you Marty. Our family has a 35 years history with you. You taught 4 of the Karre family to play the piano. I loved playing duets with you! We shared a lot of recipes and made homemade noodles together! I will miss your visits-you always wanted a recipe for something! I will see you again-we will play Oh-Danny Boy again and again!!!! Love you Marty! LaDonna Karre Tom, Erik, Leah, Abby

LaDonna Karre - January 24, 2023 at 09:29 PM

JS

Marty bailed Heidi and I out to play piano in our wedding when the pianist couldn't make it last minute. That was 32+ years ago. Every time I have ran into him since I think how Nice that was of him. Thanks Again Marty!! God Bless. Joe and Heidi Straka

Joseph E Straka - January 26, 2023 at 02:15 PM