



Mike Adams

August 10, 1951 - March 11, 2022

Ben M. (Mike) Adams, 70 of Elm Creek passed away Friday, March 11, 2022 at his home surrounded by his family. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 17, 2022 at Countryside Christian Church with Pastor Jeff Nielsen officiating. The family requests those attending wear casual attire. Interment will be held at a later date. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the Elm Creek Fire and Rescue Department. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Mike was born August 30, 1951 in Lexington, Nebraska to Ben and Mary Jane (Davis) Adams. He grew up in Elm Creek and received his education from Elm Creek High School, graduating with the class of 1970. After graduation, he attended University of Nebraska School of Technical Agriculture in Curtis, NE. Mike was united in marriage to Susan Garrelts on July 2, 1971 at the Christian Church in Elm Creek.

Mike worked as a farmer and rancher for most of his life. He also worked at Hastings Grain as a grain sampler for 30 years until his retirement.

Mike loved spending time with his family, especially his grandkids (who called

him G-pa.) He enjoyed raising cattle, registered quarter horses, deer hunting, Western movies, his coffee group and giving a hard time to all the employees at the area elevators.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Susan Adams of Elm Creek; son, Brad Adams of Kearney; daughter, Becky (Dean) Vagts of Anna, TX; grandchildren, Ashley and Creighton Vagts of Anna, TX; sisters, Cathy (Danny) Hill-Klein of Genoa, NE and Linda Adams of Kearney; brothers-in-law, Lyle (Deborah) Garrelts of Bennington, Wayne (Barbara) Garrelts of Kearney; sisters-in-law, Mary "Mimi" Garrelts of Kearney, Janet (Dave) Barnum of Stapleton; uncles, Homer Davis of Elm Creek, Howard (Erlene) Davis of Arapahoe; aunt, Georgia Ashmore of Lexington; 9 nieces and nephews; and numerous great nieces and great nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents, Robert and Esme Adams, and Homer and Faye Davis; brothers-in-law, Don Hill and Richard Garrelts.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
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Funeral Service

MAR 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

Countryside Christian Church
3203 8th Ave
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ *Mike Adams*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mike Adams.*



March 15, 2022 at 09:14 PM



“ *Mike sold us the best horse we ever owned. Blue Our Thoughts are with your family. Kent and Julie Bunting.*

Julie Bunting - March 15, 2022 at 08:56 PM

SA

Thank you for your kind words. It has been difficult for us. We always liked that horse. So happy you were able to enjoy him. Sue Adams

Susan Adams - March 17, 2022 at 08:36 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mike Adams.*



March 15, 2022 at 04:48 PM

LS

“ Love Bracaglia and Simon purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Mike Adams.



Love Bracaglia and Simon - March 15, 2022 at 12:24 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mike Adams.



March 14, 2022 at 10:49 PM

LT

“ Luis Perez & Proficient Concrete Team purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Mike Adams.



Luis Perez & Proficient Concrete Team - March 14, 2022 at 10:53 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mike Adams.



March 14, 2022 at 10:13 AM

SF

“ Steven Cleland and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mike Adams.



Steven Cleland and Family - March 13, 2022 at 07:10 PM

DJ

“ Dear Sue and Family,

I'm so sorry to learn of Mike's passing. I always enjoyed him over the many years. I remember those Christmas and Thanksgivings when we would all get together at Bob and Cathrines house for dinners and celebrations! Was many good times and a whole lot of memories. Those fun filled times all seem like yesterday. It is hard to believe how time has flown by. It was good to get together with him again when I rented pasture from you guys.

Please know that you and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers as you navigate through this difficult time in life.

Dwight and JoAnn Jones

dwight jones - March 12, 2022 at 03:29 PM

SA

Thank you so much, Dwight and JoAnn. It has been difficult. We do have so many memories. Thanks for praying. Sue and family.

Susan Adams - March 17, 2022 at 08:15 PM

JK

“ *John & Lisa Shallenberg & Kids lit a candle in memory of Mike Adams*



John & Lisa Shallenberg & Kids - March 12, 2022 at 01:46 PM

DJ

*Dear Sue and family,
Peg and I have wonderful memories of Mike! Our time together in Sunday night small group Bible study gave us a glimpse into Mike's heart and desire to know Jesus more.
I remember one time going with him to take care of farming business. He was such a joy to be with! His attitude about life was filtered through Job 19:25-27. May the Gospel of Jesus Christ bring you great comfort in the days ahead. Don and Peg*

Don Johnston - March 13, 2022 at 08:35 PM

SA

Thanks so much for your kind words. It has been difficult for us. We always considered you to be special friends.

Susan Adams - March 17, 2022 at 08:32 PM

BE

“ *Sold Mikes calves for several years always enjoyed talking horses too my condolences*
Brian Eberle

Brian Eberle - March 12, 2022 at 12:47 PM

SA

Thank you so much. Mike always enjoyed you. Thanks for being a special friend.

Susan Adams - March 17, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mike Adams.*



March 12, 2022 at 11:08 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss*

Ron Scott - March 12, 2022 at 10:53 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mike Adams.*



March 12, 2022 at 10:23 AM