



## Perry M. Cox

October 25, 1957 - February 8, 2020

Perry Cox, 62  
Kearney resident

Perry M. Cox, 62 of Kearney passed away Saturday, February 8, 2020 at his home. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 22, 2020 at Kearney Evangelical Free Church. The Rev. Tim Peterson will officiate. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Memorials are suggested to Press on Ministries. Condolences or personal reflections may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Perry Martin Cox was born October 25, 1957 in Bad Connstatt, Stuttgart, Germany to Martin and Doris (Colip) Cox. The family moved to Kearney in 1960. He received his education from Kearney High School, graduating with the class of 1976. On August 27, 2005, Perry was united in marriage to Elizabeth Wendling Scherr in Kearney, NE. For many years Perry was a chef in Lamy, NM, Veil & Denver CO. Most recently he was an employee of Mead Lumber in Kearney.

He was a member of the Kearney Evangelical Free Church where he was

active in a life group and previously in Singles and Recovery ministries. Perry enjoyed woodworking, reading, fishing, target shooting, cooking, golfing and traveling. Most of all, he loved to spend time with his family and friends. He preferred not to use the word "Step Children," rather he used the word, "Bonus Children" to show how lucky he felt to have them in his life.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Elizabeth "Liz" Cox of Kearney; dad and bonus mother, Martin and Darian Cox of Amherst; bonus son, Tyler (Joelle) Scherr of Omaha; bonus daughter, Jennie Billinger of Kearney; grandchildren, Jaxton and Conner Scherr and Jayla Billinger; sister, Diane (Mel) Jelkin of Omaha; brother, Jeff Cox of Amherst; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mike and Ruby Wendling of Ospray, FL and Dave and Jacky Harr of Blaine, MN, David and Wendy Furnas of Plainfield, IN and Tim Danube of Kearney; as well as many nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and extended family and friends.

Perry was preceded in death by his grandma and grandpa Colip, grandma and grandpa Cox, and bonus grandma and grandpa Lloyd; mother, Doris Colip Cox; bonus sister, Derena Danube and many other loved ones.

# Previous Events

## Family receiving friends

FEB **22**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Kearney E-Free Church  
4010 7th Ave  
Kearney, NE 68845  
<http://www.kearneyefree.com>

## Memorial Service

FEB **22**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Perry M. Cox*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I lived next to Perry when my family lived in the country. We were both in Junior High and High School. I remember riding to school activities with him. He was always friendly and willing to help people.  
I was sad to hear he had passed on. It is comforting to know he knew the Lord and his residence in the life ever after is in paradise.*

**Kent Whitacre** - February 22, 2020 at 04:02 PM



“ *We met Perry through Liz around the time they got married. Our Lord was doing great things in their lives and it's been amazing being part of their lives along the way. Feeling the dedication to following Jesus through the trials of Perry's affliction this past have been truly inspiring. Prayers for Liz and all of their families.*

*Ron & Cheryle Wagnitz*

**Ron & Cheryle Wagnitz** - February 21, 2020 at 07:32 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Perry M. Cox.*



February 20, 2020 at 05:10 PM

KT

“ Tom and I had the pleasure/privilege to be part of Perry and Liz’s life when Liz’s biological son, Tyler, and our daughter, Joelle, became engaged, and what was evident from our first visit that the best news we received was to know all of us shared the love of the Lord and our salvation. One of the many “standout moments “ was at the wedding rehearsal supper where Perry spoke and then prayed before eating and his heart felt words meant so very much to us. From that time on, it has been a blessing to have the joining of the two families. Perry will be very missed, but certainly never forgotten.

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**Kerry Thompson** - February 17, 2020 at 03:41 PM

DF

“ Praying continually for family and friends of Perry. Till we see you in heaven Perry. Love you brother in Christ.

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**Dan and Tara Foth** - February 11, 2020 at 11:07 PM

KV

“ I remember going to see him wrestle. A very long time ago! I was with his mom Doris and sister Diane and brother Jeff. Perry was pretty good. Prayers to all!

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**kaylene vires** - February 11, 2020 at 07:12 PM

ML

“ My husband and I met Perry and Liz through the Single's Ministry at Efree Church over 12 years ago. Perry had this great way of being direct and to the point while showing the compassion of Christ at the same time. I will miss his little giggle and the lunches we had with him after church. While we had foster children with us, Perry would always interact with them and was an encouragement for us at all times. We are grateful for his friendship and rejoice he is in heaven with our Savior and Lord.

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**Marie Liibbe** - February 11, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - *"Wherever a Beautiful Soul..."* was purchased for the family of Perry M. Cox.



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February 11, 2020 at 03:12 PM



“ Our deepest sympathies go out to the entire Cox family as well as my sister Liz, Perry's wife. Having known Perry for over 15 years, I will always remember him as my “brother”. Unfortunately, with our home in south Florida it has been difficult to get together as often as we would have liked. However, I was quite blessed to be able to see him last December and share many hours with him doing the things he liked to do. Over the years we had a fair number of adventures, one of which included wild boars in the middle of the night in Tuscany, Italy. Our shared memories will never disappear. I am choosing to close with Perry's last words to me at the airport last December, with a massive hug, he said “goodbye, my brother”!

*God bless, Mike and Ruby Wendling*

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**Mike and Ruby Wendling** - February 11, 2020 at 02:14 PM

EP

“ I have known Perry since childhood, we we lived in the same neighborhood, went to the same schools, were in the same class. We played together as children, grew up together in school and out. We were friends throughout. We even shared a house together when we both lived in Denver. I got married and moved back to Kearney long before Perry did and lost contact. I will always remember Perry as a good friend, a kind and generous man and will miss him but know that one day we will see each other again. My condolences to his family and close friends. I will not forget!

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**Ed Poorman** - February 11, 2020 at 01:03 PM

DP

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Your husband Liz. May God wrap his loving arms around you.

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**Dean and Pat Pennington** - February 11, 2020 at 10:29 AM

RR

“ I first met Perry in 2013 at work. Right away I saw Christ's Light in and through him. I loved and respected this man from the start for the way he conducted his life, and the upstanding man he was. Not long ago at the store was the last time I saw Perry. When I was talking with fellow workers he sought me out before I looked for him. We hugged and briefly visited. Recently, he was able to talk and text a little with me on the phone. I thanked God for sharing Perry with each one of us.

*Each of us has experienced Perry's true love for God, Liz and family, and close friends. He will be missed by so many; however, memories of him and his legacy will live on*

*I am praying for you, Liz and family as you grieve Perry's passing, and celebrate with you that he's been made new in heaven with our LORD and Saviour.*

*Love to each of you, Ron Reed*

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**Ronald (Ron) Reed** - February 11, 2020 at 10:14 AM

SB

“ *Sending prayers for peace and understanding. A great loss to his entire family but a great witness to oh so many. Savor the good memories and be at peace knowing you will see him again one day in heaven! God's blessings to all of your!* ”

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**Susan Bigg** - February 11, 2020 at 10:04 AM