



Ronald "Doug" Ayers

March 23, 1952 - July 18, 2024

Ronald "Doug" Ayers, 72 of Kearney passed away Thursday, July 18, 2024 as the result of an automobile accident. Memorial services will be held 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Doug was born March 23, 1952 in Orlando, FL to Rufus and Joan (Ellis) Ayers. He grew up in the Greenwood, FL area and graduated from Greenwood High School. He attended one year of college before joining the Air Force in May of 1972. He was honorably discharged in August of 1974. On March 16, 1974, Doug was united in marriage to Dixie Jager in Gettysburg, SD. The family moved around before settling in Kearney, NE while welcoming four children into their lives; Barb (John) Golden, Amy (Carey) Senn, Eric Ayers and Cassandra Vance. He also had a son-in-law, Dean that he was close to.

Doug worked at several different jobs prior to starting with Crete Carrier Corp. He was an over-the-road truck driver for them for over 35 years. He received many awards from Crete Carrier for driving millions of miles accident free.

After retiring from truck driving, he started with Camelot Transportation as a Transportation provider, which he also enjoyed very much. Doug always had a story to share about the people he had met and experiences he encountered over the years. He had a soft spot for all his grandkids, nieces, nephews, etc... and never missed a chance to tell you he was proud of you. He will be missed and loved by many.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Dixie Ayers; children, Barb (John) Golden, Amy (Carey) Senn, Eric Ayers and Cassandra Vance; 7 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Doug was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Devon; sister, Bonnie; and nephew, Chris.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 30. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald "Doug" Ayers



O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations - August 04, 2024 at 02:35 PM

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“ I have so many memories of Doug but the best to me was his wedding day and Corny!!!! What a day! We miss you already Doug!!
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Kate Denoma - July 23, 2024 at 07:55 PM

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“ Diane Cogsdale & Stephanie & Joshua purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ronald "Doug" Ayers.



Diane Cogsdale & Stephanie & Joshua - July 23, 2024 at 04:31 PM

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“ Don was a very nice guy have known him 30 years thru trucking at Crete had many suppers with him on the road RIP

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