



## Ronald R. Jurgensen

September 12, 1949 - January 19, 2025

Ron Jurgensen, 75 of Kearney was taken home by The Lord to heaven on January 19, 2025 at Kearney Regional Medical Center. Memorial Services will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday, January 23, 2025 at Kearney First United Methodist Church with Pastor Matt Fowler officiating. The family will receive friends 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Ron Jurgensen was born September 12, 1949 in Burwell, Nebraska to Harley A. and Leona (Gillespie) Jurgensen. He was raised in Burwell, NE. Ron loved his growing up years on the farm. He and his brothers helped with the farm work and milked cows by hand both morning and night. He graduated from Burwell High School in 1967. He attended Southeast Community College where he majored in electrical. He was united in marriage to Carleen Wilson on July 5, 1970 in Burwell, Nebraska, In August 1971, Ron and Carleen moved to Kearney, Nebraska where he enrolled at Kearney State College and majored in Business Administration. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in December 1976. He worked for 18 years at West Company, then Horizon Design and became disabled while working at Builders Millworks all in Kearney. He was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma in November of 2004 and had a stem cell transplant in April of 2008. The transplant was successful, and he went 12 1/2 years without medications. He began chemo treatments in 2020.

Ron loved coaching girls soccer and softball and coached teams his daughter and then granddaughters played on. He also loved watching his granddaughters participate in sports, dance and martial arts along with grandsons participating in soccer, basketball and baseball.

Ron is survived by his wife, Carleen Jurgensen; his children, Kenton (Jamie) Jurgensen and Kirsten (John) Scheer; his grandchildren, Destyni (Lane) Ahrens, Preslie Scheer, Jaycee Scheer, Barrett Jurgensen, Brayden Jurgensen and great granddaughter Sadie Ahrens. Brother Roland (Lois) Jurgensen and sister Sheryl (Bill) Holt, and sisters-in-law Patty Gillespie, Ina Jurgensen, Sharon (Wesley) Klevin, Suzanne (Dwayne) Ellison, Carol (Robert) Williams and DeeAnn Wilson. Also numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded death by his father, mother, brothers Kenneth Jurgensen, Harold Jurgensen, Roger Gillespie, Harley E. Jurgensen, Jerald Jurgensen and sister Dorothy Brockman. Sisters-in-law Yvonne Jurgensen, Verna Jurgensen, Eileen Jurgensen and brothers-in-law Richard Brockman and Jan Wilson.

Memorials are suggested to the UNK Athletic Department, Kearney Tackles Cancer or Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

# Previous Events

## Family receiving friends

JAN **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations  
4115 Ave N  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 234-3500  
info@osrfh.com  
<https://www.osrfh.com>

## Memorial Service

JAN **23**. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
4500 Linden Drive  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Tribute Wall

ES

“ Ed and Eve Scantling planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald R. Jurgensen.

Ed and Eve Scantling - January 21, 2025 at 07:13 PM

ES

“ Ed and Eve Scantling purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Ronald R. Jurgensen.



Ed and Eve Scantling - January 21, 2025 at 07:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronald R. Jurgensen.

January 21, 2025 at 05:09 PM

JJ

“ Carleen and family,  
So very sorry to hear of your loss. Ron was a great guy and has fought a tough battle. Our support group will miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.  
Jo Johnson

Jo Johnson - January 21, 2025 at 12:28 PM



“ Christi I. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald R. Jurgensen.

Christi I. - January 21, 2025 at 10:44 AM



“ - WS Claims Family at MoO planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald R. Jurgensen.

- WS Claims Family at MoO - January 21, 2025 at 08:53 AM



“ - WS Claims Family at MoO purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald R. Jurgensen.



- WS Claims Family at MoO - January 21, 2025 at 08:53 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ronald R. Jurgensen.



January 20, 2025 at 10:26 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronald R. Jurgensen.

January 20, 2025 at 09:09 PM

LM

“ Sheryl, Bill and family,  
so sorry for your loss 🙏🙏🥹🥹. Our  
thoughts and prayers are with you all 🙏.



Larry and Linda Mowrey

Linda Mowrey - January 20, 2025 at 08:46 PM

DB

I didn't know Ron as well as I know you, but you have taken care of  
him for a long time. I don't know of how many things you had on your  
plate but , many.I sorry for your loss. Please accept my sympathy

Dick Beechner - January 23, 2025 at 11:41 AM

KB

Carleen and family, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and  
prayers are with you. Henry and Kathy Brisbin

Kathy Brisbin - January 28, 2025 at 08:53 PM

LF

I am so sorry to hear about your loss. My heart goes out to you and  
your family.

LaVonne Fries - January 29, 2025 at 09:45 PM

GB

Carleen so sorry to hear of Ron passing. I just found out. Our class of  
'67💎💎 wasn't very close. I guess we were at home doing chores (  
milking cows,putting up hay, etc). Gaines

Gaines Bonsall - February 22, 2025 at 11:25 AM