



## Tobin L Roeder

January 7, 1958 - January 17, 2026

Tobin Lee Roeder, 68, of Kearney, Nebraska, passed away on January 17, 2026, at CHI Health Good Samaritan in Kearney.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2026, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home, 4115 Avenue N, Kearney, Nebraska. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 23, 2026 at the funeral home, with interment to follow at Sumner Cemetery.

Tobin was born on January 7, 1958, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Merwin and Donna Roeder. He graduated from Kearney Catholic High School in 1976 and went on to attend Kearney State College, later earning a degree in Auto Mechanics from Central Community College.

Tobin married Renee Jesseph in 1979. They later divorced, but she remained close with the family. In 2002, he met Dixie Brown through mutual friends. They shared 24 wonderful years together and were married in 2011.

He was active in Boy Scouts and earned his Eagle Scout Award. Tobin worked at Cash-WA, as a rural paper carrier for the Kearney Hub, and at Carquest.

Tobin had a passion for NASCAR, drag racing, and Harley-Davidson motorcycles. He also loved spending time with his grandchildren, including

Tony, Dillion, Carson, and Indy, who lived with them while growing up. Tobin and his father, Merwin, spent countless hours working in the garage they built together. A longtime friend, Dale Ebmeier, often joined Tobin there, enjoying time spent working on the '58 Chevy pickup. Whether working on cars in his garage or spending time with his grandchildren, Tobin's humor and laughter were never far from the room. He generously shared his car knowledge, always willing to help friends and family with repairs, advice, or a helping hand. Dogs were a constant presence in Tobin's life, and he cherished the companionship they brought him. He will be deeply missed by his cattle dog, Murphy.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Dixie Roeder; his stepchildren, Wendy (Joe) Hiett, Jamie (Tim) Hord, April Journey, Amanda (Aaron) Poppert, Kristi Journey, Jessica Conway, Bryon (Lexi) Journey; 25 grandchildren, and five great grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Jeri Roeder (Rick Schneider); his nephew, Adam Schneider (Mia Sharpnack); his nieces, Regan Schneider (Haeden Graewe) and Rylee (Steven) Hinze; his aunt, Shirley Swift; and his cousins, Louayne Hoback, Tracy Thomsen, Kerry Balk, and Tim (Monica) Steinauer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his uncles, Jean Swift and John Steinauer; his aunt, Letha Steinauer; and his brother-in-law, David Brown.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. 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.

# Cemetery Details

## Sumner Cemetery

Sumner, NE

# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations  
4115 Ave N  
Kearney, NE 68847  
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## Funeral Service

JAN **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BP

“ I'm sorry to hear of Tobin's passing. We spent a lot of time together through school, scouts and neighborhood interactions. He was always upbeat and ready to try anything. Despite his many trials, he kept up a positive attitude and kept on going. He has now made it "safely home".

Bruce Prellwitz - January 22 at 08:15 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Tobin L Roeder.



January 22 at 06:17 AM

JE

“ 25 files added to the album Tobin



Jeri - January 20 at 10:06 PM

LK

“ My sympathy and prayers for all of your family. Linda Robbins Knispel

Linda Knispel - January 20 at 09:33 AM

KF

“ Karen F. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Tobin L Roeder.



Karen F. - January 20 at 09:26 AM

TC

“ Dixie  
I am so sorry for your loss. May God wrap you in his arms and comfort you during this difficult time



Theresa Childers - January 19 at 01:36 PM

ME

Dixie and family,, so sorry for your loss.

Marilyn Eymann - January 19 at 08:24 PM

JR

Dixie, I am so sorry for your loss... Thoughts & Prayers for all. ❤️🙏🙏  
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JO ANN REBUCK - January 20 at 01:18 AM

DR

“ *Denise R. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Tobin L Roeder.*



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**Denise R.** - January 18 at 09:25 PM