



## William "Bill" Klein

August 16, 1959 - September 4, 2021

William R. "Bill" Klein, 62 passed away Saturday, September 4, 2021 at Avamere in Lexington, NE with his children by his side. The family will be honoring Bill's wishes for private family services to be held at a later date.

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.

Bill was born August 16, 1959 in Hastings, Nebraska to Orville and Marie (Loskill) Klein. He attended St. Cecelia Catholic High School until the family moved to Kearney in 1975 where he attended Kearney Catholic High School, graduating with the class of 1977. Bill was united in marriage to Amy Maul on February 14, 1981 in Kearney, NE. Blessed to this union were two children, Jessica and Nicholas. The family lived in Kearney until 1997 when they moved to Johnson Lake, one of his favorite places to be.

Bill's career consisted of mostly dry wall finishing. He worked for Richards and Klein Drywall, WAK, Inc and Klein and Klein Drywall until his M.S. made him unable to work. In his spare time, Bill enjoyed hunting, fishing, drag racing and watching the Huskers or Sooners football teams. He also enjoyed listening to old time rock-N-roll, a good cheeseburger and a cold Coca-Cola.

Following his divorce in 2009, Bill moved back to Kearney for roughly 10 years before his ailing health moved him to Grand Island Good Samaritan Society and then to Plum Creek Care Center to be closer to his family.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Jessica Klein and fiancé, Darin Roeder of Lexington and Nicholas Klein and wife, Melissa of Elm Creek; grandchildren, Haiden Klein, Isabella Klein and Oakland Roeder, Brianna Anderson, Alton Anderson, Kaytlyn Anderson, Mariah Anderson, Jolissa Klein, Cameron Klein, Kaleb Klein and Nickole Klein; one great grandchild; siblings, Jackie Casler of Omaha, Pamela Kenney and husband, Richard of Amherst and Steve Klein and wife, Julie of Lincoln; as well as many nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Klein*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Bill was always smiling when he walked into my lumberyard to order supplies. A quality craftsman and all around great guy. A man you were glad to be around. You were a good one Bill.*

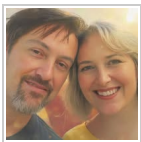
**Toby Tollefsen** - September 15, 2021 at 12:56 PM



“ *I have known Bill, since the day he walked into KCHS after moving from Hastings. He was one of my closest and dearest friends. Although we had sought separate paths in careers, we always managed to get together several times a year. My best memories of Bill are many, the most that stick out are the days at Johnson's Lake, staying up late and listening to good old classic rock and roll. I will miss him greatly. M*

*My condolences to Jess, Nick, and their families, as well as Bill's immediate siblings. Rest in peace, my friend, you will be missed.*

**John Smith** - September 11, 2021 at 03:10 PM



“ *I am a nurse that took care of Bill over the years. He was always a bright spot in the room and had a great attitude!*

**Doug-Rene Sykes** - September 09, 2021 at 02:43 PM



“ Jessica Klein lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Klein



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**Jessica Klein** - September 08, 2021 at 02:15 PM



“ I went to school with Bill from grade school until his family moved. I chose a construction career and used to see him occasionally in his early years of drywall work. I feel bad that I didn't know that he had gotten sick. He was a great guy and will be missed by all who's lives he touched. Rest In Peace Billy...

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**Jim Jackson** - September 08, 2021 at 09:17 AM



“ Bills family,

*Thinking of you at this time and hoping memories of good times spent together will help ease the pain.*



*Tammey Elliott Frick, Class of 77, Kearney Catholic*

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**Tammey Frick** - September 07, 2021 at 02:08 PM