



## Aletha Darene Kittle

November 5, 1943 - December 7, 2018

Aletha Darene Kittle, 75, of Kearney died Friday, December 07, 2018 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at New Life Church in Kearney. Rev. Dean Buse will officiate and burial will be at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation is planned Tuesday from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney. Memorials are suggested to Make-A-Wish Foundation. Please visit [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com) to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

Darene was born November 5, 1943 in Kearney to Carson and Lois (Chambers) Garrelts. She grew up in Kearney and graduated from Kearney High School in 1961. On April 8, 1966 she married Robert "Bob" Kittle in Kearney.

She and her husband lived in Kearney and she worked at Cabela's in customer service until retiring in 2009. While at Cabelas she worked in a group nicknamed the "Smile Aisle" who promoted positivity and was well liked by her co-workers.

She is a former member of First Christian Church and was attending New Life Church in Kearney.

Darene had a strong belief in God and lived her life accordingly. She would always support and do anything for her family. She enjoyed traveling to a variety of locations from New Zealand to Alaska. She loved playing cards with friends and family and was always up for the next experience. Family would describe her as headstrong with an optimistic attitude. Darene had many friends and acquaintances and she would enjoy her random encounters with them and catching up.

Survivors include daughters Shirley Adams and her husband Mike of West Chester, PA, Deb Kittle of Kansas City, MO, Karen Kittle of Grand Island, NE and son, Eugene Kittle and his wife Michelle of Omaha, NE, grandchildren Kayla, Ethan, Sarah and Leah Kittle, Emma Adams, Jessi MacLeod and Kristen Adams, sister Pam Anderson and her husband Tim of North Platte, NE.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 2010; brother Lawrence Garrelts and sister Priscilla Chambers Pinson.

# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl  
2421 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 237-2259  
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC 12. 10:30 AM (CT)

New Life Church  
2715 West 39th Street  
Kearney, NE 68845

# Tribute Wall



“ *Aletha Darene Kittle*

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January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Aletha "Darlene" was at Cabela's when I first started there in 2002. She was one of many Smile Aisle people. I think of her as being "common." And I mean "common" in the best of the word. "Common" means humble. It means unpretentious. It means appreciative. She was those good things. Blessings to the Kittle family at this time. -Lennis*

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**Lennis Sytsma** - December 20, 2018 at 03:11 PM



“ *Darene, you will be great missed. We really enjoyed visiting with you during your visits at Michelle and Eugene's house. You always had a great story to tell and we will miss your infectious smile! God bless you and may you rest in peace.*

*Love,  
Alan, Marla, Alex, Lauren and Luke Kosse*

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**Marla** - December 13, 2018 at 09:28 AM

SW

“ I am so sorry for hearing a out darlean passing a way did not find out till today and to late to go to final we were great friends she was like a mom to me I miss our breakfast and getting together we were both to busy to get to get her she was always going some where and I was all working or on the road going g some where we e en talk about taken a trip but never got it done I will miss you a lot she really enjoyed going seeming the girls and going see her son in omhal my phone missed up a lot finally broke down got a different one got it active to day so sorry I did not know you will be missed darealen your friend shirley and adopted daughter after my mom passed away

Shirley webster - December 12, 2018 at 01:36 PM

DG

“ Dorothy Grafton lit a candle in memory of Aletha Darene Kittle



Dorothy Grafton - December 11, 2018 at 11:03 AM

AG

“ Anthony Garrelts sent a virtual gift in memory of Aletha Darene Kittle



Anthony Garrelts - December 11, 2018 at 10:28 AM

AG

even though I had some great times playing cards with Darene, I know that she is in Gods house now with other loved ones

Anthony Garrelts - December 11, 2018 at 10:30 AM

JM

“ Aletha and I went through customer service training together and in the years since her retirement we have had a scrabble and Criminal Case team mates on facebook.. She will be greatly missed but I know that She is very happy to be back in Bob's arms again. I am sad that I will not be able to make it to the viewing or funeral but I know both her and Bob have probably had a bit of a hand along with our other Special Angels who helped to guide us to find the farm we are turning into a place for Homeless Veterans to be able to come and stay for a while to get a hand up. She helped so much when we were doing our "walk around the world" to gather things to send over to one of the deployed units in Iraq when we reached there so they could party with us back here. She has truly been an "Earth Angel"

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**Josephine Melroy** - December 10, 2018 at 07:15 PM

YK

“ Your extended family, Spartan Logistics KC purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Aletha Darene Kittle.



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**Your extended family, Spartan Logistics KC** - December 10, 2018 at 04:04 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Aletha Darene Kittle.



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December 10, 2018 at 03:59 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Aletha Darene Kittle.*



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December 10, 2018 at 01:41 PM



“ *We won't be able to be there but will be thinking of you and the family.*

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**Kathy Edie** - December 10, 2018 at 12:55 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Aletha Darene Kittle.*



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December 10, 2018 at 09:07 AM