



## Bruce L. Cepel

July 12, 1957 - December 2, 2022

Bruce L. Cepel, age 65, of Kearney, died Friday, December 2, 2022 at his home. Memorial services will be at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the family, to be designated later. 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 assisting the family with arrangements.

Bruce was born on July 12, 1957 in Kearney, NE to Richard and Wilma (Christman) Cepel. He attended school in Kearney and would later marry Karen Scott. Bruce worked in construction and concrete for many years; eventually operating his own concrete finishing company. He was eventually forced to retire due to health concerns. Bruce was an active member in the B.A.C.A, Bikers Against Child Abuse.

Bruce is survived by his daughter and son in law, Jennifer and Aaron Ellestad of Kearney; son, Tim Cepel of Kearney; sister, LeAnn and Bozz Bennett, Jr. of Casper, WY; brothers, Curtis Cepel of Douglas, WY and Eric Cepel and Angel Brandt of Holdrege, NE; grandchildren, Devon Sell, Jagger Sell, Tyson Cepel, Alexis Cepel and Hiedi Cepel.

Bruce was preceded in death by his parents.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce L. Cepel*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *My sincerest and deepest sympathies to all of Bruce's family and many friends. Bruce was a wonderful person! I admire his dedication to BACA so much! He and I went out to eat together a few times and he told me about his experiences with BACA. What a wonderful organization! Bruce had such a kind heart! Bruce and I were in Pitch Club together and we had a lot of fun playing cards together. I played Words with Friends with Bruce every day and we played the day before he died. I had no idea he was so ill. He never complained. He was an artistic soul and his work in concrete was amazing! Bruce was very proud of his children and grandchildren. I am honored to have known Bruce. He will be sadly missed.*  
*Karen Helleberg*

**Karen Helleberg** - December 07, 2022 at 04:49 PM



“ *Back in the day, I remember you and your brother and sister running around at family get togethers with all of the cousins; me included. We've kept in touch over the years when Facebook came along to make that possible. From your posts I knew you had that Hilty glue that so many of us from those days do! I wish you would be at the cousins reunion in July, but we'll just have to wait for a big reunion with all the family in that sweet bye and bye! RIP, Bruce! One of your Texas cousins, Pam Turner*

**Pam Turner** - December 05, 2022 at 09:47 PM



“ *I will miss riding with you. You were a very good friend to me and always reliable. You will be thought of. Prayers to your family.*

**Barbara Rios** - December 04, 2022 at 10:14 PM



“ *I have precious memories of Bruce and I'm so glad he was my step-son. However, I loved him like a son. He danced with me and was Best Man at his Dad's and my wedding. Bruce, You will be missed my many.*  
*Love Rose*

**Rose Cepel** - December 03, 2022 at 04:47 PM