



Craig R. Nuttelman

January 22, 1950 - May 9, 2020

Craig R. Nuttelman, 70, of Kearney, passed away Saturday, May 9, 2020 at his home. Funeral services will be on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church. Pastor James DeLoach will officiate and burial will follow at the Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be on Monday, May 18, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services and one hour prior to the services on Tuesday at the church. Memorials are suggested to Zion Lutheran Church. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Craig was born on January 22, 1950 in Kearney, NE to Melvin F. and Verna L. (Hartman) Nuttelman. He attended Kearney High School and graduated with the class of 1968. He then attended Kearney State College and earned a bachelors degree. He married Linda Grass on April 29, 1978 in Kearney. Craig and Linda were blessed with one daughter, Katie. Craig farmed for a number of years and also worked as a fence builder. He was a dedicated member of Zion Lutheran Church in Kearney. He volunteered his time and talents at the church as a member of the Board of Evangelism, Board of Elders and also as a Sunday School Teacher. When Craig wasn't volunteering at the church he enjoyed spending time with the light of his life, his granddaughter, Abby. They shared a special bond and became almost inseparable.

Craig is survived by his wife Linda of Kearney; daughter, Katie Nuttelman of Kearney; granddaughter, Abby Nuttelman of Kearney; mother in law, Bernice Grass of Kearney; brothers and sisters in law, Randall and Kathy Nuttelman of Lincoln, NE and Keith and Beverly Nuttelman of Kearney; brother in law and sister in law, Gerald and Hazel Grass on Minden, NE; nieces and nephews and spouses, Chris and Amy Nuttelman, Jared and Tenaya Nuttelman, Karlee Nuttelman, Cassidy and Cole Fraber, Klaire Nuttelman, Kenny and Katie Grass, and Jamin and LaNette Grass; several other great nieces and nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

Craig was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; Chris and Emma Nuttelman, Walter and Ella Hartman

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

MAY 19. 10:30 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
2421 Ave. C
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Craig R. Nuttelman*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Dear Randy and Keith, I was sad when I learned of Craig's death. Although he was a couple of years ahead of me a Zion I remember him well. Sometime in the last 5 years or so I remember running into Craig while I was in Kearney visiting my sister and brother in law Carolyn and Deloss Trampe. Craig and I had a nice visit . . . he was always friendly, a very nice guy and eager to talk. I pray our Lord will provide comfort as you mourn the loss of your brother. God's blessing to both of you.*

*Jerry Ohlmann
Omaha NE*

Jerry Ohlmann - June 29, 2020 at 02:47 PM



“ *Linda, Just a short note, I enjoyed Craig stopping by at the Amherst Auction's when we were sitting up, he always had time to visit, leave bids or consign items. He was so easy to visit with. My Dad and I really enjoyed talking with him. He was a man with a lot of common sense! Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Ken & Sherry Bramer*

Ken & Sherry Bramer - May 18, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Craig R. Nuttelman.*



May 18, 2020 at 02:59 PM



“ *Mr. Mrs. Riekenberg & Kaden, Brandi, Jason Brewster purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Craig R. Nuttelman.*



Mr. Mrs. Riekenberg & Kaden, Brandi, Jason Brewster - May 18, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Craig R. Nuttelman.*



May 16, 2020 at 09:25 PM

HM

“ Even though Deb and I have been gone for 30 years from Kearney one of the blessing we have had moving to different locations is meeting and becoming friends with special people! Craig was one of our special friends! For some reason when Craig and I would get together we could talk about whatever for hours ! We had the same interest and the same feelings on certain topics! Even though I knew Craig for just 10 years in Kearney I always considered him a true friend! May God bless you and give your family strength through this difficult time! Harlan and Deb Matasovsky

Harlan Matasovsky - May 16, 2020 at 08:50 PM

WG

“ I have known "Nuts" since my 6th grade year at Odessa, when we would play basketball games against Zion Lutheran, a great competitor, a great athlete, and became a great friend when both started school in Kearney. Not a better guy, always had that smile, everyone will miss him very much but he is going home! God bless you my friend, hold a spot for me up there!

Wayne Garrelts - May 14, 2020 at 10:09 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Craig R. Nuttelman.



May 13, 2020 at 03:40 PM

LG

“ *Larry Giddings lit a candle in memory of Craig R. Nuttelman*



Larry Giddings - May 13, 2020 at 08:33 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Craig R. Nuttelman.*



May 12, 2020 at 05:51 PM

NH

“ *Craig was in my first ever class as a freshman at UNK, Political Science at 7:30 am on M-W-F. He was a fraternity brother of my ex-husband and he was best man at our wedding. He frequently included us for Sunday dinner at Verna's. Craig was a true servant of our Lord and he was rewarded by spending his last night with Linda, Katie, and Abby, and being called peacefully into the loving arms of Jesus in time to spend Mother's Day with Verna. Craig, you truly were one of the very best. As I blink through my tears, I am grateful and rejoicing you were a part of my life. My deepest sympathy to Linda, Katie, Abby, Rudy, Keith and families.*

Nace Hopp - May 12, 2020 at 01:47 PM

TR

“ I first met Craig when we started Kindergarten together at Pleasant Hill School. We were good friends, but lost track of him when he moved to town because of his dad’s death. Later we met again in high school and renewed our friendship as if nothing had changed. He was a ‘straight shooter’ telling you the way it is or ought to be with a sense of humor. A great person. I look forward to seeing him again in the next life.

Tim Richter - May 12, 2020 at 12:38 PM

NH

“ When my father died, Craig was one of many to tell me that without a doubt we knew where he was now. Now I have the honor of saying the same to you with Craig. There is no doubt that Craig knew Christ as his Savior. He is now in the room that God had prepared for him.

You are all in my prayers that God grants you peace of heart with the warm memories you have with Craig.
God's blessings to you.

Nancy Kreutzer Hanson - May 12, 2020 at 10:31 AM

TO

“ Craig “Nuts” has been my friend for 50 years. He’s a man of the soil and a good brother and son. He’s a hard worker and takes pride in his work. His is a life well lived. May his memory be eternal.

Tim O’Dea - May 12, 2020 at 12:47 AM



“ He was a good friend and former boss I have known him since grade school and he showed me how to tie a pair of boots and not untie them while taking them off

Dietrich Wagner - May 11, 2020 at 03:03 PM