



Dallas F. Wegner

September 8, 1943 - April 26, 2023

Dallas F. Wegner, age 79, of Kearney, passed away Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at Kearney Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church with Pastor John Rasmussen officiating. The service will be livestreamed at holycrosskearney.org. Burial will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday, May 1, 2023 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Kearney Area Community Foundation or the Central Community College Foundation. Please visit 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.

Dallas Fay Wegner was born on September 8, 1943 in Palmer, NE to Dallas Dean and LaNelle (Burke) Wegner. Dallas grew up on a farm east of Palmer, NE, the oldest of 3 sons. He graduated from Palmer High School in 1961. He earned a degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Nebraska in 1965. Dallas married Carolyn Helzer on March 18, 1967 in St. Paul, NE. Dallas began his engineering career with Conoco, building refineries from England to California to Louisiana as his family moved 13 times in a 10-year span. In 1975, Dallas and Carolyn moved their family to Lincoln to get closer to home. He gained valuable experience working as a project manager for a utility construction company.

Dallas started Midlands Contracting in Kearney in 1977. Midlands began as a

relatively small company with just 2 crews. Dallas' leadership alongside amazing, hard-working employees grew the company to what it is today – a well-respected regional company with 50 employees that is known for “doing the job right the first time!”

Dallas loved his work, but also found time to golf with his buddies at Kearney Country Club – always trying to “win a few quarters”. Dallas always wanted to be a farmer, but his dad discouraged that career path for him as a young man. He was able to fulfill his dream through the years, building a successful farming operation by purchasing land with his brothers, Doug and Dave. Dallas and Carolyn enjoyed their church and spending time with family and friends as much as possible.

Dallas was very proud of raising three successful sons, Brad and Shane, who currently lead Midlands, as well as Devon, who owns a commercial real estate investment firm in Lincoln. His grandkids became his pride and joy over the years. You would see him at almost every activity ranging from baseball games to dance recitals.

Dallas is survived by his wife Carolyn; sons, Brad Wegner of Kearney, Shane Wegner of Kearney and Devon (Jessica) Wegner of Lincoln; mother, LaNelle Wegner of Palmer; brother, David (Lois) Wegner of Palmer; sister-in-law, Kathy Wegner of Palmer; grandsons, Andrew Wegner, Jared Wegner, Luke Wegner; granddaughters, Maddie Wegner, Collins Wegner, Merritt Wegner and Dallas Wegner.

Dallas is preceded in death by his father Dallas Wegner and brother Douglas Wegner.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 1. 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 2. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

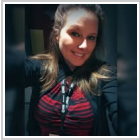
Holy Cross Lutheran Church (LCMS); Kearney Nebraska
3315 11th Ave
Kearney, NE 68845
(308) 237-2944

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Dallas and I were at UNL together in Civil Engineering. When I had my engineering firm and later with Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation we used his firm a couple of times. He was a great friend and condolences and prayers for the family.

Jerry & Ginny Steinke - May 01, 2023 at 08:54 PM



“ Deepest condolences to Dallas's family & to everyone at Midlands Contracting, from all of us at D.P. Sawyer, Inc.



Alisha Sawyer - May 01, 2023 at 01:36 PM

AS

“ Alisha S. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dallas F. Wegner.



Alisha S. - May 01, 2023 at 01:21 PM

TW

“ Knew Dallas when he was at NL Cole and as he started Midlands . His crews and people are good to work with. Very sorry for his loss and praying comfort for his family and work family.

Tom Werblow - April 29, 2023 at 11:04 AM

Robert
N Linda
Kanter

“ We are so sorry to hear of Dallas' passing. God be with you all.
Robert and Linda Kanter

Robert N Linda Kanter - April 29, 2023 at 08:25 AM

MR

“ My sincere sympathy—Carolyn —and family—LaNelle and Dave
and Lois—Gus was my Bill's favorite cousin/—always cherished
you boys too/—Our girls are also sad—Our prayers are with you.
Marilyn Retzlaff

Marilyn Retzlaff - April 28, 2023 at 09:33 PM

BS

“ Dallas was one of my favorite patients. Always
enjoyed talking with him. He was a special
person.



Bobbi Sandrock - April 28, 2023 at 12:59 PM