



Eric D. Blume

November 13, 1951 - November 7, 2017

Eric D. Blume, 65, Kearney, died Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at C.H.I. Health Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 am, November 13, 2017 at St. James Catholic Church with Fr. Art Faesser officiating. Burial will be at the Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be at 4:00 pm, Sunday, November 12, 2017 at St. James Catholic Church, and one hour prior to the service Monday. A wake service will be at 5:00 pm, Sunday, November 12, 2017 at St. James Catholic Church. Memorials are suggested to St. James Catholic Church or the Ambry Corporation in Kearney.

Eric was born November 13, 1951, at the Air Force Base in Romulus, New York. He was the third child of Frederick J. and Freda (Walters) Blume. After many service obligated destinations, the family retired in Kearney, in 1959.

Eric attended schools in Weisbaden, Germany, Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina and Kearney. He graduated from Kearney High School, in 1969, and continued his education at Kearney State College and graduated, in 1978. He also completed a Machine Operator Degree from Hastings Technical College, in 1982.

On September 24, 1983, he married Rose Woitaszewki, in Grand Island. On

May 10, 1985, they added a new member to their family. John David Blume was born.

Eric had a true love for music from the sixty's and seventy's, which led him to his "dream job" of working at Dusty's Records for many years, until it's closing. After that he worked at Baldwins, Horizon Designs, K-Mart and the Wingate Inn.

Eric was a faithful member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church and AA. He was a passionate believer in the AA program and enjoyed attending the meetings, at the Ambry Club.

Eric's love for music has been passed down generationally: to his son, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. His passion for it lives on in them. The Beatles and Bruce Springstein were among his favorites.

Eric was a compassionate man, who didn't need to have everything to have everything.

Eric is survived by his wife Rose, of Kearney; his son John and friend Lorina Farmer, two grandchildren, Micah Drue and Gracelynn June Rose Blume, of Kearney; brother Fred Blume and his wife Nancy, of Kearney, and sister Melanie Johnson and her husband Steve, of Upland. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Eric was preceeded in death by his parents.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Christian Wake Service

NOV 12. 5:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 13. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Eric D. Blume*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Eric was part of something really cool when he worked at Dusty's Records. At the time I didn't realize what an impact a business and its employees has on someone. I miss those days going into Dusty's and buying music, talking with Eric and hanging out in an atmosphere that made you feel like you belonged. Places like that don't seem to exist anymore and that is why Eric will always be remembered by his customers. I'm glad his love of music was passed down through the kids...they will always cherish that.*

Greg - November 11, 2017 at 01:41 PM



“ *I knew and worked with Eric at Dusty's, I worked there from 1975-83. He was such an enjoyable character. Many great conversations about music passed between us. Deepest condolences on your loss.*

Eric L. Johnson - November 10, 2017 at 03:22 PM



“ *Eric was my next door neighbor for 26 years. He was a good guy. Julie and I extend our deepest sympathy for his family and friends. He will be missed.*

Art Bralick - November 10, 2017 at 08:38 AM



“ I worked with Eric at Dustys Records from 1987-1990 while I was attending college at UNK(then KSC)
I always enjoyed talking to Eric about music and getting a feel for what he was listening to at the time. He was one of a kind! We had many laughs and good memories!

Dave Ferris - November 08, 2017 at 06:33 PM