



Jay J. Hinrichsen

June 3, 1945 - April 21, 2023

Jay J. Hinrichsen, age 77, of Kearney, passed away Friday, April 21, 2023 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. Funeral Services will be on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Kearney. Pastor Matt Fowler will officiate and burial will be at Prairie Center Cemetery at Havens Chapel with military honors. Visitation will be on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home and also 1 hour prior to services at the church on Thursday. Memorials are suggested to the Peterson Senior Center, the Kearney American Legion Post #52 or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. 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.

Jay was born on June 3, 1945 in Lexington, NE to Walter and Anna (Hemstrom) Hinrichsen. He attended Overton High School and graduated with the class of 1963. Jay served his country as a member of the United States Army for Artillery during the Vietnam War from February 1965 to February 1967. He married Delila L. Gewecke on October 24, 1971 at Havens Chapel United Methodist Church. He worked for several places over the years including the grocery store in Overton, NE, a Meat cutter at F & S from '63-'69, Chief Manufacturing as a welder for 21 years and Nebraska Crane putting up grain bins where he retired. He was a member of the Kearney

American Legion Post #52. While Jay was in Overton High School, he played football, track, basketball and golf in his senior year. He enjoyed his '69 red dodge charger. He later enjoyed to bowl on teams with his wife Delila, fishing, ice fishing in the winter, hunting, watching hockey with his daughter, cross word puzzles, going to the casino with his wife, spending time with his wife and daughter, walking up at the mall, and playing cribbage or pitch over at the Peterson Senior center.

Surviving relatives include his daughter, Amber Hinrichsen of Kearney; brother, Dean Hinrichsen of Overton; sister, Lucille (George) Moore of Overton; sister, Delores Ropers of Sargent; sister in law, Mary Jane Hinrichsen of Grand Island; sister in law, Karen Brecht of Kearney; brother in law, Ken (Kim) Gewecke of Kearney; numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family and friends.

Jay was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Delila; twin brother, Ray Hinrichsen; brothers, Floyd (Marge) Hinrichsen and Wilmer (Fern) Hinrichsen; sister, Phyllis (Norman) Richardson; brothers in law, Louie Ropers, Alan Brecht and Rick Gewecke; sister in law, Linda (Bob) Marzolf; nephews, Matt Brecht and Keith Hinrichsen.

Cemetery Details

Prairie Center Cemetery at Haven's Chapel

160th and Antelope Rd.
Kearney, NE 68959

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 26. 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

APR 27. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
4500 Linden Drive
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry to see the passing of Jay. I met Jay in the mid 70's working at Caldwell/Chief. Such a hard worker and interesting guy. Enjoyed the softball games and bowling league. He will be missed.

Kim, Sue & Lindsey Wright

Kim D. Wright - April 27, 2023 at 09:29 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jay J. Hinrichsen.



April 25, 2023 at 11:23 PM