



## John M. Ryan

August 21, 1960 - September 4, 2024

John Michael Ryan, 64, of Falls City, NE, passed away Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at the Community Regional Medical Center in Falls City. Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 13, 2024 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home in Kearney. Family and friends are invited to share memories of John at the Palm Garden Lounge following the service. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. 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 are in charge of arrangements.

He was born in Kearney Nebraska on August 21st, 1960 to Robert and Lianne Ryan. He joined his big brother Pat, and eventually sisters Julie and Katie came along to complete the family.

He attended Glenwood Elementary, Central Elementary, Kearney Junior High and Kearney Senior High schools.

John worked at many places in his youth, spreading his crazy sense of humor wherever he went. He was an integral part of the team at Kearney's iconic Dusty's Records in its early days.

He chose a career in drywall finishing, eventually starting a business with his brother Pat. Ryan Drywall was a thriving company for many years until both brothers decided it was time to retire.

Kearney, Lincoln, Colorado Springs Colorado and Falls City were some of the places he called home, deciding to live the small-town life in Falls City after

retirement.

Anyone who knew John knew he was passionate about many things. His love of animals, his deep connection with his friends, Husker football and The Rolling Stones. John also loved cars, most notably his cherished gold Cadillac.

Over the years, John enjoyed many hobbies, including photography, golfing, fishing and collecting vintage barware and antiques. An excellent cook, gardener, chess player...there was no end to his curiosity and enthusiasm for the things and people he loved.

It's hard to describe a person in a few words, especially a person like John. But warmth, kindness and laughter are the words that seem to characterize him best. John will long be remembered as the guy who always had a winning smile, a ready laugh, a joke or just a shoulder to all who loved him.

John was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by brother Pat and wife Dora, sister Julie and husband Eric, sister Katie and nieces and nephews. He is also survived by lifelong friends, and all the people, cats and dogs who were touched by his humor and his heart.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP **13.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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