



Stacey A. Russell

June 19, 1962 - November 29, 2020

Stacey A. Russell, 58, of Kearney, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, November 29, 2020 at her home. A Funeral Mass will be on Friday, December 4, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney. Father Joe Hannappel will celebrate and burial will be at Kearney Cemetery. Due to current directed health measures seating will be limited. The Funeral Mass will be live streamed and can be viewed by visiting <https://youtu.be/OFSj4NBuTw8> Visitation will be on Thursday, December 3, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the church. Memorials are suggested to the Kearney Public Schools Foundation or the Kearney Community Foundation. Masks are requested for those attending the visitation and service. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

Stacey was born June 19, 1962, in Kearney to Gary and Barb (Thiem) Mowrey. She attended Kearney High School and graduated in 1980. At Kearney High, she met her high school sweetheart and soulmate, Steve Russell. Steve and Stacey were married on August 17, 1984 in Kearney.

Stacey attended Kearney State College, graduating with a bachelors degree in Education and a masters in Counseling. She taught for Kearney Public Schools for 33 years, before retiring in 2017. Stacey loved her co-teachers and students. It was important to her to see the best in every single student.

Stacey loved life, and it loved her back. She spent her free time with family and friends—traveling, attending concerts with Steve and friends, FAC, going on girls' trips, playing solitaire, watching her grandkids play, and of course, a nightly convertible ride. Her positivity was contagious and her laugh quickly made others laugh. She was as passionate, accepting, and encouraging as they come.

Stacey is survived by her husband and best friend, Steve Russell of Kearney; son Tayler Russell of Kearney, daughters Asa Broadfoot and husband Austin of Kearney, Lainey Russell of Omaha; grandchildren, Maddox and Hayden Broadfoot; mother, Barb Mowrey of Kearney; sisters Lisa Westesen and husband Jay of Kearney, Krista Ritterbush and husband Nate of Omaha.

Stacey was preceded in death by her father, Gary Mowrey; brother, David Mowrey; mother and father-in-law Arlene and Ron Russell; and step-mother-in-law, Gerry Liebee.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 4. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Stacey A. Russell*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Jenae Bauer lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell*



Jenae Bauer - December 06, 2020 at 11:12 AM



“ *Steve and Family,
I want to express my sincere sympathy and condolences. Stacey was truly a light to so many students and to the Kearney High class of 1980. She will be greatly missed. I send my prayers of comfort and peace as you navigate this difficult time. May God bless you all.
Jenae Kennedy Bauer*

Jenae Bauer - December 06, 2020 at 11:11 AM



“ *Debbie Parker lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell*



Debbie Parker - December 04, 2020 at 06:03 PM

BH

“ Steve and family,

From our family to yours, we extend our sincere sympathy and prayers. If there is some way we can assist you, even if only to talk, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Bob, Jackie, Geoffrey and Colton Harpst

Bob Harpst - December 04, 2020 at 04:53 PM

VL

“ Our deepest sympathy to you Steve and your family. So Sorry for your loss.

Val & Sherry Lane

Val & Sherry Lane - December 04, 2020 at 02:42 PM

YH

“ Your cousin, Heidi purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



Your cousin, Heidi - December 04, 2020 at 12:08 PM

LC

“ We're thinking of you, and are sorry about your loss. Please accept our sincere condolences. Gary and Linda Chramosta, Vicki, and Todd

Linda Chramosta - December 04, 2020 at 11:19 AM

BL

“ Steve and family, my sincere sympathy and prayers in your loss of Stacey. (My husband Dale, was Ron's cousin - I was a classmate of Gerry.) Though we left Nebraska decades ago, Kevin has kept me posted on the Russells, etc. To you and all your family, love and prayers during this very difficult time.

*Bobbie Lindenstein
Storm Lake, Iowa*

Bobbie Lindenstein - December 04, 2020 at 10:55 AM

TH

My utmost sympathy goes out today to the Russell family and Barb Mowrey family. You were so blessed to have such a wonderful wife, mother and daughter and sister. My prayers are with you. A beautiful service today. Thelma Hehnke

Thelma Hrhne - December 04, 2020 at 08:36 PM

 Stacey Lynn

“ The first day I arrived at Sunrise Middle School, she ran into my QT (homeroom class) and she said "I just had to meet the other Stacey Russell", she was one of my favorites and she will forever be remembered.

Stacey Lynn - December 04, 2020 at 01:42 AM

RC

“ To the Mowrey / Russell Family, please accept my most heartfelt sympathy for your loss. "Mrs. Russell" was one of my favorite teachers at Kearney Junior High. Krista was a classmate and friend and I can only send you my well wishes and love. Peace and health to you all.

Rob Caha - December 04, 2020 at 12:45 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.* ”



December 03, 2020 at 04:26 PM



“ *Teresa (Anderson) Michel lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell* ”



Teresa (Anderson) Michel - December 03, 2020 at 02:31 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.* ”



December 03, 2020 at 12:39 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.* ”



December 03, 2020 at 11:20 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



December 03, 2020 at 10:46 AM



“ *Our deepest condolences to you, Steve and your family. Dan and Terri Sheldon*

Dan Sheldon - December 03, 2020 at 08:51 AM



“ *We send our deepest sympathy to you Steve and your family on the passing of Stacey. We will always remember her infectious smile and fun loving attitude about life! She touched many people through her teaching career and will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Rich and Annette Froid*

rich and annette froid - December 02, 2020 at 10:40 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family of Stacey.*



Debra Archer - December 02, 2020 at 10:12 PM

LS

“ Steve, Asa, Barb, and all the Russell and Mowrey families: I'm hurting for you and I'm praying for you. It is my loss that I did not know Stacey. Prayers, blessings, and condolences for you at this time. --Lennis Sytsma of Kearney.

Lennis Sytsma - December 02, 2020 at 10:06 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



December 02, 2020 at 09:25 PM

KJ

“ Stacey was a friend to everyone. To know her was to love her. She had a way of making people feel welcomed and accepted. I think she only saw good in people. It was not within her to find fault. If you were to stack up the truly good people in the world, Stacey would be in the top tier. My heart breaks for her family.

Kristine Jenniges - December 02, 2020 at 09:18 PM

PS

“ Completely heartbroken to hear of Stacey's passing. As one of my best friends from college I have nothing but happy, joyful memories of Stacey. Love and prayers for Steve and entire family!



paula shuey - December 02, 2020 at 07:44 PM

TE

“ So sad to hear this. Such great memories of teaching with her. A great coworker, such a caring, fun person. Condolences to Steve and the family. She will be missed by all that knew her.
Tim Ernst.

Tim Ernst - December 02, 2020 at 06:58 PM

SM

“ Scott, Kellie, Griffin, and Rees Mingus purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



Scott, Kellie, Griffin, and Rees Mingus - December 02, 2020 at 03:09 PM

AF

“ Steve (and kids), Krista, Lisa and Barb.....words can not express how deeply saddened and heartbroken I am to hear about Stacey. So many memories over the past 4 decades...hard to even know what to say except that I love you all so very much and I am so sorry. We all have been part of the "Pack" family for almost 50 years and Stacey was deeply loved and will be missed . Love you all so very much.

Alisa (Becker) Van Horn and family - December 02, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



December 02, 2020 at 01:44 PM

DI

“ Doolittle Distributing, Inc. purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Stacey A. Russell.




Doolittle Distributing, Inc. - December 02, 2020 at 01:13 PM

KL

“ Stacey was a FANTASTIC teacher, friend, mom, and grandma. She was always smiling and helped anyone who needed it. She will be missed by her Sunrise Middle School friends. I will always remember her devotion to her students and making sure everyone was taken care of in her own special way. Stacey will be missed by everyone.
-Katie Lane



Katie Lane - December 02, 2020 at 01:05 PM

 Brad Thompson

“ Brad Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of Stacey A. Russell



Brad Thompson - December 02, 2020 at 01:04 PM

TF

“ I am so heartbroken, I'm going to miss seeing Stacey every week in class. She was a beam of sunshine and I will love her forever! Love and hugs to you Steve and your whole family. Trudy Flaherty

Trudy Flaherty - December 02, 2020 at 12:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



December 02, 2020 at 11:29 AM



“ *Words cannot express how saddened we are at the loss of Stacey. Without a doubt, she was one of Megan's favorite teachers. She was a positive influence for all females during those formative years to see that it was okay to like and be good at math. She was such a beautiful and kind person. Always ready to be of help to any student. Please know that we are praying for strength for Barb, Steve and the rest of Stacey's family. We send you our deepest sympathies and love.*

Patricia A Jensen - December 02, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



December 02, 2020 at 10:29 AM



“ *Sending prayers to Stacey's family. She made such a huge difference in so many lives and she will be missed.*

Jan Wymore - December 02, 2020 at 10:18 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



December 02, 2020 at 10:00 AM



“ *Sending love and care for Stacey's family and friends. She will be dearly missed! Mike and Sheryl Rice Overby*



Sheryl Overby - December 02, 2020 at 09:55 AM



“ *Stacy's passion and positive energy came through in every facet of her life! She was a beautiful soul who will be dearly missed. Our heart goes out to her family, colleagues, students, and friends during this difficult time. ~Dena & Kyle Harshbarger*



Dena Harshbarger - December 02, 2020 at 08:31 AM



“ *I'm so sadden by the loss of Mrs.Russell. She was my favorite math teacher and made the subject fun. Always had a smile on her face.*

Amy Albrecht - December 02, 2020 at 07:46 AM

JF

“ *Judy Fisher lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell*



Judy Fisher - December 01, 2020 at 11:16 PM

BJ

“ *This breaks my heart to here about Stacey's passing. My deepest condolences go out to her family. We were neighbors growing up. I remember the whole neighborhood would get together and play games. We had so much fun as neighbors. She will be missed. My prayers for Steve, Barb and family 🙏🙏*



Brent Johnson - December 01, 2020 at 10:49 PM

JF

“ *I am devastated by the news of Stacey's death. I have so many wonderful memories of growing up with Stacey as my friend and next-door neighbor on Ave. F. She truly was a shining light with the most amazing smile. My heart is breaking for the Mowrey and Russell families. May you find peace in this most difficult time.*
Love, Jane Carroll Falk



Jane Carroll Falk - December 01, 2020 at 09:30 PM



“ Words cannot express how this has affected me. Stacy will be deeply missed for her smile great personality and her joy for life. She was great to be around and her infectious personality would radiate to all with her. My prayers to you Steve, Asa, Austin, Hayden, Maddox, Laney, And Taylor. My heart breaks for you. 😊

Coleen Bacon - December 01, 2020 at 07:35 PM

DF

“ Darleen Farwell lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell



Darleen Farwell - December 01, 2020 at 06:59 PM

LF

“ Love, Chad, Lacy Gracey, and family. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



Love, Chad, Lacy Gracey, and family. - December 01, 2020 at 06:44 PM

KW

“ Our sincere condolences and deepest sympathy. Stacey was such a beautiful person with her infectious smile and bubbly personality! She was a joy to know. You are in our hearts and prayers and we pray for God's healing.
Kevin & Stephanie Werner

Kevin Werner - December 01, 2020 at 05:44 PM

LM

“ Love- Holly, Caela, Melissa and Michell purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



Love- Holly, Caela, Melissa and Michell - December 01, 2020 at 05:40 PM

FS

“ Fred, Nancy, Tracy, Kerri, Michayla, and Shaylee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



Fred, Nancy, Tracy, Kerri, Michayla, and Shaylee - December 01, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.



December 01, 2020 at 05:06 PM

MB

“ Michelle (Gunther) Bauer lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell



Michelle (Gunther) Bauer - December 01, 2020 at 04:51 PM

NG

“ So many wonderful, fun memories of Stacey and the Mowrey family. Neighborhood friends who were more like family. A mutual admiration society. Stacey was a wonderful daughter, sister aunt, wife, mother and grandmother and I know her loving memory will continue through the years. I know she was greeted by her father Gary and her brother David in her eternal home along with other loved ones. We will meet again Stacey! Love you!! Fred, Nancy Tracy, Kerri, Michayla and Shaylee

NANCY GEORGE - December 01, 2020 at 04:51 PM

BA

“ Steve and family we are devastated to learn of Stacey's passing. She a dynamite personality and will always be remembered for kindness to others. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.
Barbara and Stephen Amundson

Barbara Amundson - December 01, 2020 at 04:18 PM

CH

“ So terribly sorry for your loss! Stacey was a ray of light. I was just last week talking to my son about your Oscar fish you used to have! Praying for comfort for your family. All our love
Chandra 'Hollister Hawley

Chandra - December 01, 2020 at 04:02 PM

DF

“ Dirk Christensen And Family lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell



Dirk Christensen and family - December 01, 2020 at 03:53 PM

SS

“ So sorry for your loss! Love, Prayers and Peace, be with all the family. Love in Christ, Andy Perry and Shirley Schirmer



Shirley Schirmer - December 01, 2020 at 03:21 PM

RJ

“ Renee Johnson lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell



Renee Johnson - December 01, 2020 at 01:14 PM

SP

“ Stephanie Patsios lit a candle in memory of Stacey A. Russell



Stephanie Patsios - December 01, 2020 at 01:03 PM

CR

“ What a loss for Steve & family & friends! Stacey was a joy to be around & to work with! I have fond memories of shopping for AOII furniture when Lainey was just a baby. We send our sympathy & prayers for all of her family. Cindy, Randy & Rachelle Rademacher

Cindy Rademacher - December 01, 2020 at 12:19 PM

SP

I was totally caught off guard when I read of her passing. Russell & Mowrey families I am so sorry for your loss. I have so many great memories of our childhood. All through the years of walking or riding bikes to & from Northeast school. I spent many days & nights at the Mowrey house on Ave F. My prayers go out to all of the family. God Speed & may you all find comfort in knowing how many lives Stacey touched. Her sense of humor & unwavering compassion were true attributes of her. Stephanie Patsios

Stephanie Patsios - December 01, 2020 at 01:23 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



December 01, 2020 at 10:48 AM

JE

“ *We were so very sorry to hear of your devastating loss. We are so glad we got to know and love Stacey thanks to these past years together in our buying group. Her warm, sparkling personality, her infectious laugh and zest for life were so special and will be so missed! Our hearts are broken for you and your family— we pray for God’s loving, healing touch to be on all of you. Please know you are in our hearts. Jon and Kathy Ekblad*

Jon and Kathy Ekblad - December 01, 2020 at 10:25 AM

JE

“ *Jon and Kathy Ekblad purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



Jon and Kathy Ekblad - December 01, 2020 at 10:06 AM

NR

“ *I remember Stacey (Mrs. Russell) being such a caring and wonderful person. She was such a great teacher also but even after the fact of being out of school she checked up on her students. A real angel that will be deeply missed.*

Natalie Rookstool - December 01, 2020 at 09:29 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



November 30, 2020 at 10:24 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.*



November 30, 2020 at 09:16 PM

RS

“ *Rosemary, Terri, Maggie, Cyndi, Peggy, Jere Sue purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Stacey A. Russell.* ”



Rosemary, Terri, Maggie, Cyndi, Peggy, Jere Sue - November 30, 2020 at 09:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.* ”



November 30, 2020 at 08:52 PM

BT

“ *Stacey was my sorority Big Sis. We shared almost 38 years of our lives together. Never lost touch. I'll love Stacey forever. Until we meet again. Love you.* ”

Bobbie Towns - November 30, 2020 at 08:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stacey A. Russell.* ”



November 30, 2020 at 08:16 PM

BE

“ *Dear Russell family
We are deeply sorry for your loss of Stacey. She was a wonderful
person. We will be praying for all of you.
Jack and Janelle Beatty and family*

Beatty's - November 30, 2020 at 08:01 PM