



## Steven L. Watkins

September 25, 1962 - July 16, 2020

Steven Lee Watkins, age 57 of Kearney, went to be with the Lord, Thursday, July 16, 2020 at his home after a courageous battle with cancer. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 20, 2020 at New Life Church in Kearney with Pastor Roger Wendt officiating. Burial will follow the service at Grandview Cemetery Northeast of Gothenburg. Visitation will be from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 19, 2020 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorials made be made to New Life Church Kingdom Builders or The Salvation Army. 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 is assisting the family with arrangements.

Steve was born September 25, 1962 in Cozad, Nebraska to Sharon White and Glen Watkins. He worked for Eaton Corporation in Kearney for 22 years and was a member of New Life Church.

Survivors are his children, Brian (Emily) Watkins of Garden City, KS., James Watkins of Kearney, and Rebecca (Ryan) Levell of O'Fallon, MO.; his mother, Sharon Caraballo; father Glen Watkins; brothers, Dave Watkins and Robert Watkins; and his beloved three granddaughters; his many nieces and nephews; his two dogs, Bob and Rocky, and his cat, Cat.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Michael Watkins.

# Cemetery Details

## Grandview Cemetery

7670 Road 415  
Gothenburg, NE 69138

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 19. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl  
2421 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 237-2259  
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

JUL 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Life Church  
2715 West 39th Street  
Kearney, NE 68845

# Tribute Wall



“ *Steven L. Watkins*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Video*



**Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services** - July 19, 2020  
at 12:38 PM



“ *God bless Steve and his kids. They have lost so much in their young lives. Our hearts break for you.*

**Lola Merrigan** - July 19, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ *It was always a pleasure to work with you Steve. I will miss your silly sense of humor at the break table. Rest In Peace my friend.*

**Randy Smith** - July 18, 2020 at 10:19 PM

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“ My name is Arleta Engleman and I knew Steve very well when he was a kid. Him and my son were best friends as he lived just a couple of houses North of us. We lost track of the family when they moved to Lexington .I am very sad that we didn't try to find him and keep in contact. He was a very good friend for Craig and always nice to have around. If there is anything I can do for the family let me know. I am still living in the same place although my husband died 10 years ago. I would love to have you give me call at 308-236-5786 or stop in and visit at 1308 E. 33rd. Drive in Kearney. My thoughts and prayers are with you as I know this is a difficult time.

Arleta Engleman - July 18, 2020 at 04:05 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Steven L. Watkins.



July 18, 2020 at 11:36 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Steven L. Watkins.



July 18, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven L. Watkins.*



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July 18, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Such a nice Guy. Rest In Paradise Steve*

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**Cindy L Griess** - July 17, 2020 at 11:35 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Steven L. Watkins.*



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July 17, 2020 at 10:34 PM



“ *Steve was such a nice guy. I went to school with him. God bless his children and grandchildren.*

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**Sandra Mason** - July 17, 2020 at 08:06 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss 🙏  
Thoughts and prayers are with all of the family.  
God Bless. Dave and Cindy Stover*

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**cindy stover** - July 17, 2020 at 07:11 PM

Leslie  
Holmes

“ Steve babysat me when I was 8 yrs old and he taught me how to play poker with pennies.



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**Leslie Holmes** - July 17, 2020 at 06:28 PM

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Condolences to the family I'm glad the last thing I told him I loved him  
Terry gove Kearney

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**Terry gove** - August 08, 2020 at 05:19 AM