



## Gregory Koenig

August 14, 1952 - August 28, 2015

Gregory Lee Koenig, the son of Gerald Walter Koenig and Janet Margaret (O'Hearn) Koenig, was born August 14, 1952 in Spencer, Iowa. Greg spent his early elementary years in Gillette Grove, Iowa. After moving briefly to Pomona, California and Sioux Rapids, Iowa, he attended Spencer schools from fourth grade on and graduated in 1970. In Spencer, Greg played football and was the manager for several teams. After graduating, Greg attended the University of Iowa, proudly cheering on the football team as Herky the Hawk. Greg graduated from Iowa State University with a teaching degree and taught at South Clay High School in Gillette Grove, Iowa and in Clarksville, Iowa. Greg worked for the Daily Reporter as a sports reporter and photographer for a short time and worked for years for Koenig Portable Toilets.

Greg enjoyed reading the newspaper and discussing politics and sports and keeping sports statistics. Greg was an avid sports fan with wrestling being his favorite. Greg also enjoyed watching his grand nieces and nephews wrestle, play softball, baseball, football and soccer, watching Wheel of Fortune with his parents, canoeing and being a driver for years on RAGBRAI for the Everly team. Greg also took pride in restoring his homes in Dickens, Clarksville and Gillette Grove, Iowa,

Preceding him in death were his grandparents, William Paul and Ingery Marie (Jensen) Koenig and Omer and Marguerite (Parks) O'Hearn, his father Gerald Walter Koenig, sister Nancee, infant sister Susan and infant nephew Gerald Edward "Eddie" Koenig. Left to cherish his memory are his mother, Janet Koenig, his sisters, Mary (Randy) Goyette of Lincoln, NE, Ann (Danny) Dodge of Spencer, IA, Lisa (Randy) Hansen of Spencer, IA, Martha (Gavin) Goodenow of Arvada, CO, Sara (Doug) Harris of Phoenix, AZ, Tina (Paul) Miller of Manteca, CA and his brother Ed (Brenda) Koenig of Spencer, IA. In addition, Greg was a father and grandfather figure to many, many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews that he leaves behind.

Graveside services for 63 year old Gregory Koenig of Spencer will be 4:00 PM Saturday September 19, 2015 at the Northlawn Cemetery in Spencer, with a time of fellowship to

follow.

# Comments

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**Bob Richards** - September 18, 2015 at 08:02 PM

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I left Spencer after the eight grade, but remember hanging out with Greg, as a classmate, when I lived there. My condolences to his family.

**Bob Hansen** - September 15, 2015 at 09:01 AM

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My sympathy to the entire family! Please know you all are in my thoughts & prayers!

**Laurie Wetherell Rohde** - September 14, 2015 at 11:23 AM

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I always enjoyed working with Greg at Rides. We did a lot of special trips at the same time. We shared a lot of great stories of our teaching experiences. He will truly be missed by everyone that knew him. RIP my friend.

**Julie Thiesen** - September 09, 2015 at 03:21 PM

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Prayers going out at this difficult time..Greg was my teacher at South Clay..shop class....he will be missed.

**Dee Schomaker** - September 08, 2015 at 10:01 AM

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He was a good brother

**Sara** - September 06, 2015 at 01:19 AM

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**Sara** - September 06, 2015 at 01:16 AM

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Greg was such a kind man. I taught with him at South Clay, and saw how the kids appreciated all he did for them. When we would see each other, he would always ask about the girls, and he kept up with them as well as possible. Bless his soul.

**Nira and Bob Rusk** - September 03, 2015 at 07:38 PM

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September 02, 2015 at 09:40 AM

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Prayers and condolences to the family. Greg was a good classmate and buddy. He will be missed.

**Robb French** - September 02, 2015 at 01:16 AM

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Greg loved to talk wrestling and was an avid fan of our wrestling program. Kids loved the gentleness and friendliness of his nurturing personality. He was always willing to help anyone in need and I personally have always considered him a good friend. We will all miss him and I will think often of the kindness he spread - a simple thing that touched the lives of the people he knew. All of us could learn something from that. Our hearts and prayers go out to his family.

**Bob Saathoff** - September 01, 2015 at 03:14 PM

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My deepest sympathy to Janet, Greg's sisters, brother, family, and friends. Greg was a special man in my life and encouraged me to dream big when I needed that the most.

**Jo Schoning Mula** - September 01, 2015 at 01:37 PM

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“ So sorry to hear this. Had lunch with Greg last summer and we remembered all the days of high school. He was a good guy and always considered a friend. RIP Greg.....

**Rick Rogers** - September 01, 2015 at 11:11 AM

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“ Greg was one of my best childhood friends. John Bob Snyder, Greg and I played countless hours of pool and indoor nerf basketball as kids. We kept up with each other at college, and a favorite story of mine was that he was Herky the day the goal posts came down. Sorry to hear of his death.

**Joel Greer** - August 30, 2015 at 04:08 PM