



## Denny Koppen

March 7, 1942 - December 14, 2014

Denny Koppen, age 72, of Spirit Lake, passed away on Sunday, December 14, 2014, at his home in Spirit Lake. He was born on March 7, 1942, in Spirit Lake, to Lester and Neva (Fike) Koppen.

Denny graduated from Spirit Lake High School in 1960. He was united in marriage to Sherry Ericksen on January 8, 1963, in Spirit Lake. Denny worked for the Des Moines Register as a District Manager for twenty years. He had a strong interest for antiques all of his life. In 1990, he owned and operated the Antique Mall in the Antlers Hotel for many years.

Denny enjoyed spending his spare time antique collecting, carving and watching the Iowa Hawkeyes. His true passion was his children and grandchildren!

Denny is survived by his children, Leslie Pavelko, and her husband, Clay of Spirit Lake, and their daughter, Cortney, and Ned Koppen, and his wife, Kim of Fairmont, Minnesota, and their sons, John and Bailey. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife, Sherry.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30P.M. Friday, December 19, 2014, at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home. Visitation will be held Thursday, from 5:00P.M. until 7:00P.M. at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home. Burial will be at Lakeview Cemetery in Spirit Lake. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in Denny's name.

# Tribute Wall

SP

“ Denny & Sherry together again at last. I never could really picture them apart. I will treasure the time I spent with them for the rest of my time. So long old friends and hope to see you on the other side.

Scott Penn - January 27, 2015 at 10:39 PM

BW

“ Our sincere sympathy to Denny's family. You are in our prayers.

Bev and Vern Wittler - December 21, 2014 at 11:19 PM

PW

“ Dear Ned and Leslie Please know that you and your dear ones are in our thoughts. We will always cherish the great memories of fun times with both your sweet Mom and crazy/wonderful Denny. They were very dear friends to us and all who knew them.

Penny & Rick Wiersma - December 18, 2014 at 04:00 PM

CW

“ So sorry to hear of Denny's passing. We know he will be missed by all. Please accept our sympathy.

Connie & Bill Wymer - December 18, 2014 at 02:06 PM

PR

“ Ned and Leslie and familieus,  
So sorry for your loss. I remember your dad as well as your mom doing so much for this community. May all those memories help you get through this tough time. Prayers to you all.

Peg Rick - December 18, 2014 at 01:36 PM

LW

“ Ned, Leslie and your families, I'm so sorry for your loss. I will always fondly remember the many long chats that I had with your Dad. He was a good friend. Rest in peace Denny.

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**Lee Wendt** - December 18, 2014 at 12:17 PM

AI

“ Leslie, Clay and Courtney  
We are so sorry to hear you have lost your father and grandfather.  
Keeping you in our thought's and prayer's.

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**Arnie and Ruth Ihnen** - December 18, 2014 at 09:51 AM

PM

“ Ned, Kim, Bailey and John - Our hearts go out to you on the loss of your wonderful father/grandfather. We know how much Denny loved coming to Bailey's sporting events. We will miss seeing him. Hugs and prayers for you and all of your family. Todd, Patty, Meghan & Parker

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**Patty Monsen** - December 18, 2014 at 09:34 AM

CS

“ Denny Koppen

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**Chad Schuchert** - December 17, 2014 at 03:08 PM

RJ

“ *Ned and Leslie:*

*I'm deeply saddened to hear of Denny's passing. He was such a supporter of us during our youth, whether it be providing us a paper route so we could earn some cash, or coaching our little league teams, he was always there.*

*I hope your many happy memories help you through this difficult time. Peace to you.*

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**Rick Jaacks** - December 17, 2014 at 12:48 PM

TW

“ *Lezlie, Clay and all of the family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Twyla** - December 17, 2014 at 12:17 PM

LE

“ *Leslie: Sorry for your loss. We will be thinking of you and your family during this difficult time.*  
*With our sympathy, Larry & Ruth Eggers*

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**Larry & Ruth Eggers** - December 17, 2014 at 09:17 AM

KA

“ *So many wonderful memories growing up in the Koppen house - Denny and Sherry are amazing souls, reunited in heaven. I love you, Moose - think of them hugging up there watching over all of you xo*

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**Kari** - December 17, 2014 at 06:56 AM

JC

“ Keeping your families in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Jeff and Linda Christoffer** - December 16, 2014 at 06:53 PM

RB

“ Glad I stopped to visit with Denny a few months ago; I delivered Sunday papers in the Ruthven area for Denny in the 70's. Margo and I always enjoyed visiting with him. My prayers are with the family.

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**Ron Brockmeyer** - December 16, 2014 at 06:36 PM

SJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss Leslie.

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**Summer James** - December 16, 2014 at 06:30 PM

SG

“ We will always remember all of our summer Sunday night dinners with Denny and Sherry after closing the Antique Stores. They were very special friends and will be missed. Rest in Peace, dear Denny.

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**Sandi & Garald Guge** - December 16, 2014 at 01:37 PM

LB

“ What can a person say? Denny & I see one another in the S.L. library or Fareway. For yrs. we've said: "Let's get together for some cribbage." It didn't happen.

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**Leslie Booton** - December 16, 2014 at 12:58 PM

BH

“ *Denny was always a friendly person. He will be missed by many who knew him. My condolences to his family. May GOD bless all of you with wonderful memories.*

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**Barb Haagenon** - December 16, 2014 at 12:57 PM