



Douglas Dean Kness

December 19, 1956 - November 27, 2024

Douglas “Doug” Kness, 67, of Spirit Lake passed away on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at Lakes Regional Healthcare in Spirit Lake.

A celebration of life service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 7, 2024, at the First Presbyterian Church in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held on Friday from 5-7 p.m. at the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Burial will take place in the Spirit Lake Memory Gardens Cemetery. People who knew Doug, knows that he liked to dress casually. To honor his memory, the family requests that you dress casually for the visitation and service. Arrangements are under the direction of the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Online condolences may be left at www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com

Douglas Dean Kness was born on December 19, 1956, in Spirit Lake to Dale and LaVonne (Selberg) Kness. He graduated from Spirit Lake High School. He was united in marriage to Sally Seleen on April 1, 1978, in Spirit Lake. He worked as a heavy equipment operator. He put in many hours helping shape the lakes area by building roads, trails and moving dirt.

In his free time, Doug enjoyed fixing up motorcycles and riding them. He and Sally went on many rides on his Goldwing. Aside from tinkering in his garage, he enjoyed attending his grandson’s sporting events.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife Sally Kness of Spirit Lake; daughter Jill (Chris) Bonrud of Spirit Lake; son Darrin Kness of Spirit Lake; and grandson’s Grady and Gannon Bonrud.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother David.

Cemetery Details

Spirit Lake Memory Gardens

Hudson Ave West
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Robinson Funeral Home
2317 32nd Street
Spirit Lake, IA 51360
robinson@spiritlakefuneralhome.com
<http://www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com>

Celebration of Life

DEC 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
3501 Hill Ave.
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Tribute Wall



“ *Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Robinson Funeral Home - December 04, 2024 at 12:45 PM

PB

“ *I really enjoyed working on projects with Doug over the years. He will be missed!*

Patrick Boggess - December 06, 2024 at 05:27 PM

KK

“ *Kayle & Shawn Kuehl lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Kayle & Shawn Kuehl - December 06, 2024 at 11:55 AM

WL

“ *With love, Eric & Hayley Lonquist purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.*



With love, Eric & Hayley Lonquist - December 06, 2024 at 11:17 AM

L&

“ *LuAnn (Kness) &Terry Whittington &Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.*



LuAnn (Kness) &Terry Whittington &Family - December 05, 2024 at 03:00 PM

JS

“ *JEFFREY W VANDER SLUIS lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



JEFFREY W VANDER SLUIS - December 03, 2024 at 07:30 PM

KS

“ *Karen Sampson lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Karen Sampson - December 03, 2024 at 01:25 PM

JS

“ *Jerry and Carol Selberg purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.*



Jerry and Carol Selberg - December 03, 2024 at 12:30 PM

JS

“ Jerry and Carol Selberg planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Dean Kness.

Jerry and Carol Selberg - December 03, 2024 at 12:30 PM

JS

“ Rest in Peace Doug

John F Smeltzer - December 03, 2024 at 12:24 PM

CK

“ Cheryl Warren Kelly lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness



Cheryl Warren Kelly - December 03, 2024 at 09:52 AM

CK

Sally,
So sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of the both of you taking me to the sprint car races in Jackson
I pray you find comfort in this difficult time 🙏

Cheryl Warren Kelly - December 03, 2024 at 09:55 AM

CW

“ CHERYL WALTMAN lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness



CHERYL WALTMAN - December 03, 2024 at 09:35 AM

CW

Sally, Jill & Darrin, I am so sad for you that it hurts. I have so many fond memories of our families being at the race track every weekend. Doug always made me laugh. He was a gentle ben kind of guy. It seems to be true the good ones leave young. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

CHERYL WALTMAN - December 03, 2024 at 09:42 AM

JB

“ Sally and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed a short visit with Doug when I would see him around town. Prayers to all of you, John Boettcher



John Boettcher - December 03, 2024 at 07:35 AM

GB

“ Sally and family, Greg and I are so very sorry! Doug was such a great guy and loved his family so very much❤️ I heard lots of fun stories about the Kness family and Doug was so very proud of each and everyone of you and loved you more than anything❤️



Greg & Dee Baloun - December 02, 2024 at 09:56 PM

JB

“ Jim & Quanah Bonrud purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.



Jim & Quanah Bonrud - December 02, 2024 at 08:38 PM

JB

“ Jim & Quanah Bonrud planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Dean Kness.

Jim & Quanah Bonrud - December 02, 2024 at 08:38 PM

TF

“ The Seleen Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.



The Seleen Family - December 02, 2024 at 05:39 PM

TF

“ The Seleen Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Dean Kness.

The Seleen Family - December 02, 2024 at 05:39 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.



December 02, 2024 at 03:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Douglas Dean Kness.*



December 02, 2024 at 12:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Douglas Dean Kness.

December 02, 2024 at 12:23 PM



“ *Sally and family, so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed visiting with Doug at Walmart and in high school I remember it was always "Doug and Sally". Prayers for comfort for your family. Greg and Christy Thompson*

Christy Thompson - December 01, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“ *Sally and Family, So sorry to hear of Doug's passing. I did not know him, but remember Sally from the SL Library. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. Patty McGuire Sioux City, Iowa*

Patty McGuire - December 01, 2024 at 06:47 PM

DH

“ *Diana Halder lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Diana Halder - December 01, 2024 at 05:50 PM

CS

*Sally, Darren and family,
I am so sad to hear of your loss and our prayers will be with all of you.*

Cindy Sones - December 02, 2024 at 11:17 AM

DW

“ *My heart goes out to you Sally. I know your family and friends are surrounding you with love and care as you all move through the days, weeks and months ahead. I hope the many wonderful memories you have of Doug will provide some comfort for all of you.
Sincerely, Darcy Wells*



Darcy Wells - December 01, 2024 at 05:01 PM

RH

“ *Sally and family, sad to hear of Doug's passing. He was always a fun classmate to spend time with.*



Ryck Hale - December 01, 2024 at 11:54 AM

PM

“ So very sorry to hear this, he always had a smile. Peace and comfort to the Kness family.

Pat Messerole - December 01, 2024 at 10:29 AM

WY

“ Sally and family, sad to hear of Doug's passing. Doug was a classmate in high school, always had a positive outlook and a smile. Thoughts and prayers to you.



William A Yager - November 30, 2024 at 10:39 PM

BT

“ Sally and families, I'm so sorry to see the passing of Doug. My heart goes out to you and your family. You will be in my thought and prayers at this difficult time. Love to you ❤️



Barbara Toth - November 30, 2024 at 09:34 PM

NJ

“ Nancy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness



nancy johnson - November 30, 2024 at 08:43 PM

PB

“ *One of my favorite classmates. Always such a nice guy. Loved talking to my parents. Miss you Dougie*

Paul Bakke - November 30, 2024 at 07:04 PM

KM

“ *Sally and family. Keith and I were very saddened to hear of Doug's passing. Sending prayers for you and your family. He was a good friend. May your memories of Doug give you comfort in the difficult days ahead.*

Keith & Roxie Moriston - November 30, 2024 at 06:40 PM

KK

“ *Sally and family, So sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers*



Kent and Jo Kastrup - November 30, 2024 at 06:25 PM

JM

“ *Kness family,
I'm so sorry for your loss. Worked many years with Doug and had a great amount of respect for him. I met Red working with my dad and mom was good friends with LaVonn. I will miss talking and working with him.
We will keep you in our thoughts.
John Miller and family.*

John Miller - November 30, 2024 at 06:11 PM

LB

“ *Linda Baltzegar lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Linda Baltzegar - November 30, 2024 at 04:50 PM

AD

“ *Ann Devall lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Ann Devall - November 30, 2024 at 04:49 PM

MI

“ *Mary Ellen Inbody! lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



mary Ellen Inbody! - November 30, 2024 at 04:12 PM

MI

So Sorry to hear! My Deepest Sympathy! He was a great fun guy!

mary Ellen Inbody! - November 30, 2024 at 04:14 PM

MN

“ *Mark Neustrom lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Mark Neustrom - November 30, 2024 at 03:53 PM

JL

“ *JULIE LOUDERBACK lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



JULIE LOUDERBACK - November 30, 2024 at 02:43 PM

FO

“ *Floyd Ogle lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Floyd Ogle - November 30, 2024 at 02:29 PM

MU

“ *Mick And Bonnie Umscheid lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Mick and Bonnie Umscheid - November 30, 2024 at 02:18 PM

BC

“ *Barb Carter lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Barb Carter - November 30, 2024 at 12:54 PM

BB

“ *Prayers and hugs to you all during this difficult time in Doug's passing.*



Bev Berkland - November 30, 2024 at 12:17 PM

DE

“ *My heart is broken. Such a kind and gentle man! Condolences to you all.*

dan eckert - November 30, 2024 at 10:00 AM

SK

“ *Sally, I'm am so very sorry. You have my heartfelt sympathy. You and Doug meant the world to Dave and he loved you both so very much.*



Susan Kolbe - November 30, 2024 at 08:38 AM

BT

“ *Brenda Tenney lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Brenda Tenney - November 30, 2024 at 06:33 AM

CH

“ *Christine Hinkeldey lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Christine Hinkeldey - November 30, 2024 at 06:27 AM

DB

“ *My sympathy to your family.*

Dayle Broocks



Dayle Broocks - November 29, 2024 at 08:39 PM

JS

“ *Jeff And Andrea Schwarck lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Jeff and Andrea Schwarck - November 29, 2024 at 08:36 PM

MS

“ *Marsha Smeltzer lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Marsha Smeltzer - November 29, 2024 at 07:59 PM

DO

“ *Don & Sheryl Ogle lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Don & Sheryl Ogle - November 29, 2024 at 07:53 PM

TO

“ *Tony Olson lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Tony olson - November 29, 2024 at 07:33 PM

TO

Grew up with Doug alot of good memories. Will be missed by all. Take care Sally my prayers are with you all

Tony olson - November 29, 2024 at 07:35 PM

RF

“ *Sally, Jill, Darrin, Doug was a friend for over 50 years.. We shared the love of motorcycles and many other things.. We stayed in constant contact via the interweb.. us old guys did learn to do some of this...lol. He will be greatly missed. Our Sympathy.*



Randy Franker - November 29, 2024 at 06:58 PM

JK

“ *Jacqueline Reeser Kramer lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Jacqueline Reeser Kramer - November 29, 2024 at 06:34 PM

CC

“ *Charlie Carney lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Charlie Carney - November 29, 2024 at 04:42 PM

BF

“ *Barry. Forbes lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Barry. Forbes - November 29, 2024 at 03:37 PM

BB

“ *Brenda And Lee Bendixen lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Brenda and Lee Bendixen - November 29, 2024 at 02:12 PM

LC

“ *Sorry to see this. You are in our prayers.
Laura Coon, Amanda, and Micale*

Laura Coon - November 29, 2024 at 01:28 PM

MW

“ *Mike Wallace lit a candle in memory of
Douglas Dean Kness*



Mike Wallace - November 29, 2024 at 01:17 PM

KE

“ *~ Dear Kness Family ~*

We are sorry for your loss. Doug will truly be missed by many family and friends. You are in our hearts and prayers.

Konnie Sue (Klein) Egertson

Konnie Sue (Klein) Egertson - November 29, 2024 at 11:17 AM

DL

“ *Delbert & Marilyn Lambert*



Delbert & Marilyn Lambert - November 29, 2024 at 11:14 AM

KK

“ *Karen Cliff Krieger lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Karen Cliff Krieger - November 29, 2024 at 10:51 AM

PB

“ *Paul Bakke lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Paul Bakke - November 29, 2024 at 10:50 AM

KH

“ *Ken Heins lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Ken Heins - November 29, 2024 at 10:10 AM

CT

“ *Connie Tolan lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Connie Tolan - November 29, 2024 at 10:08 AM

JJ

“ *Jim Jackson lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Jim Jackson - November 29, 2024 at 09:51 AM

FF

“ *Fred Kaminska Karrie Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Fred Kaminska Karrie Ferguson - November 29, 2024 at 09:18 AM

LH

“ *Sally and Family - Thinking of all of you.*

Laurie Huseman - November 29, 2024 at 08:46 AM

TJ

“ *Big Bad Doug will always have a place in our hearts. Deepest sympathies. Love you all.*

Jay, Tracy, Logan, and Owen

Tracy Johnson - November 29, 2024 at 07:49 AM

JC

“ *Jeff & Linda Christoffer lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Jeff & Linda Christoffer - November 29, 2024 at 04:26 AM

DB

“ *Deb Bockman lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Deb Bockman - November 28, 2024 at 11:29 PM

CL

“ *Our deepest sympathy to you all. Doug was a great guy! Hugs and prayers to each of you.*



Colleen, Jim, Jesse & Lilah - November 28, 2024 at 11:16 PM

MN

“ Sally- so sorry for your loss. May God give you strength, comfort and peace.

Mark Neustrom - November 28, 2024 at 10:37 PM

BF

“ Sally, you have my most heartfelt condolences. For many years Doug was my best friend, so many memories. I love you and Doug. Bless you and your family. Thoughts and prayers. Bruce and Sabrina



Bruce Farmer - November 28, 2024 at 09:34 PM

KF

“ Ken Farmer lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness



Ken Farmer - November 28, 2024 at 09:05 PM

SE

“ Sorry for your loss Sally and family. Doug and I grew up together k thur 12 he was a friend and all around great guy. Scott and Jolene Egertson



Scott and Jolene Egertson - November 28, 2024 at 08:58 PM

RB

A great friend of 62 years lost Sally. Words can't express our sadness. Praying for you and family. Love you guys

Randy Buchman - November 28, 2024 at 09:50 PM

EI

“ *Esther Irlbeck lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Esther Irlbeck - November 28, 2024 at 08:49 PM

KD

“ *Kris Dean lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Kris Dean - November 28, 2024 at 08:42 PM

LP

“ *Our sincere sympathies Sally, Jill, Darrin and families. He was such a good guy and loved his family so much. Will keep you in our prayers.*

Lori Pedersen - November 28, 2024 at 08:20 PM

DK

“ *Denise Kastner lit a candle in memory of Douglas Dean Kness*



Denise Kastner - November 28, 2024 at 08:14 PM