



Kem Kern

January 8, 1954 - March 17, 2017

The funeral Mass for Kem Kern of Verndale will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 21, at the St. Frederick's Catholic Church in Verndale, with Father Larn Germann as celebrant. Visitation will be held at the church on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of Mass. Kem Robert Kern, age 63, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, March 17, 2017 at his home.

He was born January 8, 1954 in Wadena, MN to Robert and Ernestina (Yungbauer) Kern.

Kem was united in marriage to Vickie Peltier, on July 12, 1973. Kem was a jack of all trades and held various jobs throughout his life including: road construction, oil fields, farm mechanic, welder and asphalt worker but working in the farm field was his favorite. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, farming and spending time with family and friends. His grandchildren were his pride and joy.

Kem was preceded in death by his parents. Kem is survived by his wife, Vickie; son, Dan Kern, Verndale, MN; daughter Teri (Jason) Bessler, Frazee, MN; grandchildren, Courtney Kern, Alexa Kern, Avery Kern, Allyson Bessler and Joshua Bessler; brothers, Tony Kern and Joe Kern; along with sisters, Becky (Mickey) Daniels, Julie (Dave) Orlando, Donna (Roland) Roth, and Linda (Joe) McIntire.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dave Orlando and Mike Olson.

Serving as pallbearers will be Mickey Daniels, Roland Roth, Kurt Mauer, Tim Peltier, Joe McIntire and Jim Peltier.

Burial will be in St. Frederick's Catholic Cemetery, Verndale, MN.

Cemetery Details

St. Frederick's Catholic Cemetery

16196 County Road 104
Verndale, MN 56481

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Frederick's Catholic Church
20 Mason Ave. NW (aka: US Hwy 10)
Verndale, MN

Service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Frederick's Catholic Church
20 Mason Ave. NW (aka: US Hwy 10)
Verndale, MN

Tribute Wall

JH

“ Jackie Hokanson lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Jackie Hokanson - March 22, 2017 at 11:15 AM

JH

So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Jackie Hokanson - March 22, 2017 at 11:16 AM

SJ

“ Thinking of you guys in these days of sorrow



Stevie Richter Jr - March 20, 2017 at 09:29 PM

AS

“ Kem was a great friend and a role model to me in the way he displayed pride in his work, loyalty to friends, and the priority he placed on family time. There are so many things I was looking forward to doing together with Kem, another year in the field that we won't get the chance to do again. Yet I am so thankful for the countless memories and lessons he helped me learn over the past 8 years. I will miss you every day, Kem.

Andrew Schock - March 20, 2017 at 03:47 PM

JR

“ Joe & Dianne Rousslang lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Joe & Dianne Rousslang - March 20, 2017 at 01:59 PM

BO

“ Bill & Nancy Olson lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Bill & Nancy Olson - March 20, 2017 at 01:18 PM

KV

“ Dear Vickie & family. We are so sorry for you loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.
Kristi & Al VanRoekel



Kristi VanRoekel - March 20, 2017 at 01:08 PM

OC

“ Outlet Recreation crew purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kem Kern.



Outlet Recreation crew - March 20, 2017 at 11:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kem Kern.*



March 20, 2017 at 11:12 AM



“ *Gene & Roxanne Arndt lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Gene & Roxanne Arndt - March 20, 2017 at 11:00 AM



To convey a message of sympathy is beyond words. I was very surprised to hear of Kem's passing. Due to work commitments we are unable to make the trip down to attend his service. Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We are so, so sorry for your loss. Ron and Angie (Pickar) Smith

Angie Smith - March 20, 2017 at 01:21 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kem Kern.*



March 20, 2017 at 10:12 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kem Kern.*



March 20, 2017 at 09:01 AM



“ *Roger & JoAnn Anderson lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Roger & JoAnn Anderson - March 20, 2017 at 08:58 AM



“ *Vickie and family, So sorry to hear about Kem... Keeping you in my prayers...*



Tami Westover-Schwartz - March 20, 2017 at 08:26 AM



“ *Polly Anderson (Kern) lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Polly Anderson (kern) - March 20, 2017 at 12:35 AM

PK

so sorry to hear about Kem. My heart and prayers go out to you all.

Polly Anderson (kern) - March 20, 2017 at 12:36 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kem Kern.*



March 19, 2017 at 10:19 PM

TL

“ *Tim, Brenda, Ashley And Anna Lorentz lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Tim, Brenda, Ashley and Anna Lorentz - March 19, 2017 at 10:06 PM

MC

“ *Thoughts and prayers to Kem's family.*



Margaret (Eickhoff) Carrington - March 19, 2017 at 08:55 PM



“ *Sheila Erickson lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Sheila Erickson - March 19, 2017 at 04:19 PM

PS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Kem's passing. He was an awesome classmate and fearless football teammate. May God's blessings be with his family.*
Paul and Jenny Seaton

Paul Seaton - March 19, 2017 at 03:40 PM

CW

“ *Charlie & Diane Wachlin lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Charlie & Diane Wachlin - March 19, 2017 at 01:33 PM

TN

“ *TJ, Temah, Ameilia and Natalia purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kem Kern.*



TJ, Temah, Ameilia and Natalia - March 19, 2017 at 12:54 PM

RT

“ *Rich & Marilyn Trout sent a virtual gift in memory of Kem Kern*



Rich & Marilyn Trout - March 19, 2017 at 12:25 PM

BJ

“ *Bruce And Lydia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Bruce and Lydia Johnson - March 19, 2017 at 12:22 PM

BJ

Our prayers are with all of you.

Bruce and Lydia Johnson - March 19, 2017 at 12:25 PM

SH

“ *Love & Prayers! We share in your deep sorrow.*

*With Much Love,
The Daniels, Sharp's & Roiko's*



Sheli - March 19, 2017 at 11:49 AM

BS

“ Bruce And Trish Steinkopf lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Bruce and Trish Steinkopf - March 19, 2017 at 11:14 AM

CR

“ Chris Randall lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Chris Randall - March 19, 2017 at 09:39 AM

BB

“ Barb And Bruce Brown lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Barb and Bruce Brown - March 19, 2017 at 09:30 AM

GD

“ George&Julie Deiss lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



George&Julie Deiss - March 19, 2017 at 09:17 AM

CR

“ Chris Randall lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Chris Randall - March 19, 2017 at 09:13 AM

MW

“ Mike Willis lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Mike Willis - March 19, 2017 at 09:03 AM

DO

“ Vickie, keeping you and your family in our prayers. Dan and Carol Osborn

Dan and Carol Osborn - March 19, 2017 at 08:37 AM

JR

“ Jack & Judy Richter lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Jack & Judy Richter - March 19, 2017 at 08:31 AM



“ Karen Reger lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Karen Reger - March 19, 2017 at 07:19 AM

JE

“ My heart aches for you. Prayers.

Janet Eckman - March 19, 2017 at 07:09 AM

CB

“ Connie Stebleton Boe lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Connie Stebleton Boe - March 19, 2017 at 06:57 AM

KS

“ Ken And Val Schmitz lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Ken and Val Schmitz - March 19, 2017 at 06:41 AM



“ *Benita Gode lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Benita Gode - March 19, 2017 at 06:31 AM



“ *Tom And Bernice Pickar lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Tom and Bernice Pickar - March 19, 2017 at 06:11 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Vickie and family*

Tom and Bernice Pickar - March 19, 2017 at 06:10 AM



“ *Vickie and family; We are so sorry to hear of Kem's passing. It is such a shock! He will be missed! May God grant you peace! You all will be in our thoughts and prayers! Deepest sympathies at your loss, Verndale has lost a super guy! Jay just had coffee, well Kem had apple juice, a few days ago! God has a plan and there is always a reason, even though we do not know what or why. Just take comfort in the love our Savior has promised when we will all be with our loved ones again. Keep the great memories always! Peace be unto you all. Jay, Jackie and families.*



Jay and Jackie - March 19, 2017 at 01:42 AM

SO

“ Vicki n family sorry for ur loss. Prayers for all of you

Sandy Oestreich - March 19, 2017 at 01:33 AM

DC

“ Dale And Marlene Campbell lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Dale and Marlene Campbell - March 19, 2017 at 01:16 AM

DT

“ Deb & Chuck Tangeman lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Deb & Chuck Tangeman - March 19, 2017 at 12:07 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kem Kern.



March 18, 2017 at 10:42 PM

LH

“ *Leo Haisman lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Leo Haisman - March 18, 2017 at 10:20 PM

DK

“ *Dan & Beth Kern lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Dan & Beth Kern - March 18, 2017 at 10:01 PM



“ *Roger Wiese lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Roger Wiese - March 18, 2017 at 09:45 PM

VT

“ *Vickie, please know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Vicki Thorson



Vicki Thorson - March 18, 2017 at 09:44 PM

CW

“ Casey And Darnell Wersland lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Casey and Darnell Wersland - March 18, 2017 at 09:37 PM

TR

“ Toni Rimpila lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Toni Rimpila - March 18, 2017 at 09:27 PM

PD

“ Patty Desrocher lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Patty Desrocher - March 18, 2017 at 09:26 PM

PD

“ Patty Desrocher lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Patty Desrocher - March 18, 2017 at 09:17 PM

TR

“ *Tim, Sharon, Sara & Stacy Richter lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Tim, Sharon, Sara & Stacy Richter - March 18, 2017 at 09:13 PM

JC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you Vickie, Dan and girls, Teri and family and all of Kem's family. Kem was a wonderful man who loved his family and to tell stories of those grandchildren. May you all find comfort in the cherished memories you have of him and knowing that others share your loss. *hugs**

Jim and Janell Carr - March 18, 2017 at 09:13 PM

DK

“ *Dean And Sally Kopp lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Dean and Sally Kopp - March 18, 2017 at 09:11 PM

JC

“ *Jim And Janell Carr lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Jim and Janell Carr - March 18, 2017 at 09:09 PM

RB

“ Randy And Judy Beaver lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Randy and Judy Beaver - March 18, 2017 at 09:07 PM

KU

“ Karen Umland lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Karen Umland - March 18, 2017 at 09:04 PM

JT

“ So very sorry for your loss. Kem was a wonderful man he always took the time to say hi and visit with you wherever you saw him. Our prayers are with you all.

jim and vickie thompson - March 18, 2017 at 09:03 PM

JM

“ Joe McIntire's lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Joe McIntire's - March 18, 2017 at 09:03 PM

LF

“ Thoughts, prayers and hugs to Vicki, Dan, Terri and their families.



Lindi Rousslang & family - March 18, 2017 at 08:57 PM

MF

“ Mark And Bonnie Richter Family lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



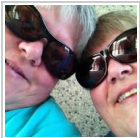
Mark and Bonnie Richter Family - March 18, 2017 at 08:46 PM

KM

“ Teri and family,
I am so sorry to hear about your dad. Half of my childhood was spent at your house and I have so many memories of being there and with your dad. My heart is broken for you. Keeping you all in my prayers and heart in the days to come.

Kim (White) Mitlyng

Kim Mitlyng - March 18, 2017 at 08:44 PM



“ Vickie and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Lean on your faith during the difficult days ahead.



Rocky Reese - March 18, 2017 at 08:34 PM

KN

“ Prayers of God's strength and love



Karlene and Gary Negen - March 18, 2017 at 08:24 PM



“ Ted Black lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Ted Black - March 18, 2017 at 08:09 PM

LS

“ Sending prayers for comfort and strength to your family.



Len and Sally siegler - March 18, 2017 at 07:48 PM

Paul
Stilke

“ Paul Stilke lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Paul Stilke - March 18, 2017 at 07:46 PM



“ Jenny Masog-Podratz lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Jenny Masog-Podratz - March 18, 2017 at 07:45 PM



“ Barb Rousslang lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Barb Rousslang - March 18, 2017 at 07:26 PM



“ Tina Wegscheid lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Tina Wegscheid - March 18, 2017 at 07:17 PM



“ Dave Schumacher lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern



Dave Schumacher - March 18, 2017 at 07:07 PM

MH

“ *Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Marladene Heinen - March 18, 2017 at 07:05 PM

MR

“ *Michelle Rousslang lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Michelle Rousslang - March 18, 2017 at 07:03 PM

EF

“ *Esther And Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Kem Kern*



Esther and Alan Freitag - March 18, 2017 at 06:57 PM

DH

Vickie and family, We are so sorry.

Diane-Larry Hahn - March 19, 2017 at 09:08 PM