



## Dennis D. Miller

April 23, 1956 - October 12, 2017

NORFOLK -- Funeral service for Dennis D. Miller, 61, of Norfolk, will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, October 16, 2017 at the Christ Lutheran Church in Norfolk with Rev. Chip Winter officiating. Interment will be in the New Lutheran Cemetery, Norfolk. Visitation will be 4:00-7:00 p.m., Sunday at the Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. Dennis died Thursday, October 12, 2017 at the Faith Regional Hospital in Norfolk.

Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Dennis Donald Miller was born April 23, 1956 to Donald Miller and Marilyn (Wade) Miller in Norfolk. He was baptized and confirmed at Christ Lutheran Church in Norfolk. He lived in the Norfolk area all of his life. He graduated from Norfolk Senior High in 1974. He married Janet Rathgeber on October 20, 1984 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Coleridge. He had recently retired from the Norfolk Street Department after 35 plus years, and held numerous other road construction jobs. Dennis enjoyed spending time with family, he was extremely proud of his children, playing hockey, coaching softball, watching Nebraska Cornhuskers football, caring for his pets, and taking care of his lawn. He also enjoyed reminding and helping people to get their sprinklers blown out during the fall. Dennis had a very strong faith and attended and volunteered as an elder at Christ Lutheran church regularly.

Dennis is survived by his wife Janet, son Dustin Anderson of Tulsa, Oklahoma, two daughters Brittany and Jeremy Rucker of Wichita, Kansas, Melanie and boyfriend Nathan Love of Norfolk. Four grandchildren Dominic,

Marissa, Marcus, and Hayden, all of Missouri, sisters Deb (Dale) Schwartz of Omaha, Nancy Alexander of Norfolk, Linda (Bob) Moser of Elgin, Julie Miller and Michelle (Jeff) Praeuner of Norfolk; brothers Mark Miller and Keith Miller (Sue Miller) both of Norfolk. Step-mom Ann Miller of Cortland, NE, sister Doni (Todd) Douglass of Cortland, step-siblings Gail Miller, Judy Foote, Brenda (Bryon) Leikam, Jan Masters, and Mike (Kim) Shambaugh-Miller. Sister-in-law LaVon (Ed) Humpal Of Tabor, SD, Karen (Don) Schultz of Coleridge, NE Nancy Kocmick of Gayville, SD, JoAnn Rathgeber of Coleridge, NE, and brother-in-law Eugene Rathgeber of Tyndall, SD, many aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his dad (Donald Miller), mom (Marilyn Miller), grandparents Ernest and Ethel Miller, Edward and Clara Wade, father and mother-in-law Melvin and Delores Rathgeber, two brother-in-laws Larry Rathgether and Keith Kocmick, and sister-in-law Rhonda Miller.

Organist will be Starla Landkamer.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## New Lutheran Cemetery

12th Street Maple Ave  
Norfolk, NE 68701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk  
1200 N.13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
(402) 371-7676  
[info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com](mailto:info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com)  
<https://stonacekfuneralchapel.com/>

## Service

OCT **16**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Christ Lutheran Church - Norfolk  
605 S 5th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
<http://tiger.clnorfolk.org/index.php>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis D. Miller*



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**Stonacek Funeral Chapel** - October 14, 2017 at 02:29 PM

 Sue Miller

*Beautiful...It brings back a lot of memories.*

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**Sue Miller** - October 15, 2017 at 10:26 AM



“ *Dennis D. Miller*

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October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM

DB

“ I had just entered the 6th grade at Chalk Hill Middle School the same year that Dennis Miller was named the new band teacher. I was already an alto sax player and asked him about learning to play the baritone sax. He taught me to play the baritone sax as I began the 7th grade and we started a jazz group. I can remember playing some 1940's big band jazz with that small group we had. Then, when I was in the 8th grade, we played Chicago's "25 or 6 to 4". I actually had the lead. Mr. Miller allowed us to call him Dennis and was an amazing teacher. He was fun but strict---something that kids today wouldn't tolerate. He had rules. If you disobeyed his rules, then he punished you by making you sit alone in a practice room and do scales. I don't know why I was thinking of Dennis today, but something made me remember him and look him up. I was hoping that he was still in the area. I didn't know that he had passed away. Anyway, just know that he made a major impact on my life when I was growing up. As well as on my younger brother. My brother also played the baritone saxophone (seven years after I did). We have an uncle who is a professional musician and was impressed when he met Mr. Miller.

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David Brenna - May 27, 2023 at 06:44 PM

GA

“ Remembering you on the day that you left this earth and gained your wings. I LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU, BIG BROTHER! Sending you lots of love and hugs to heaven, today! - Your little sister, Gail



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Gail - October 12, 2020 at 12:32 PM

KM

“ Janet use to babysit me when I was younger, my heart breaks for the Miller family! My sympathy and prayers to Janet and family! RIP Dennis Miller, fly high with the angels and keep a watch over your family.  
From: *Kassandra (Armitage) McCleary*



Kassandra McCleary - October 16, 2017 at 02:12 PM

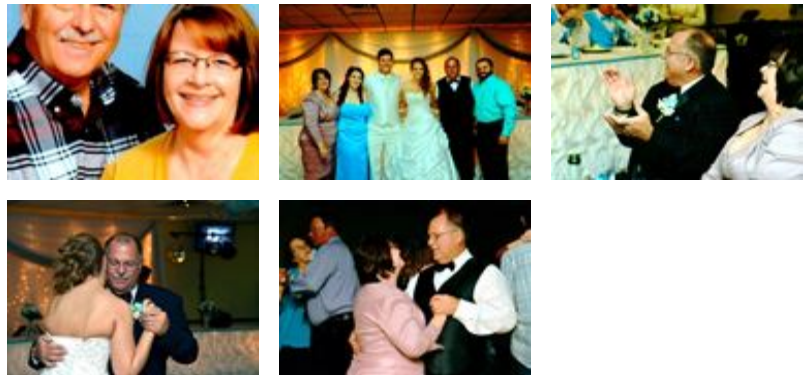
JA

“ So sorry for your loss.  
*Jan Andersen*

Jan Andersen - October 15, 2017 at 10:13 AM



“ 108 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - October 14, 2017 at 01:05 PM



“ *Lora Pizar lit a candle in memory of Dennis D. Miller*



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**Lora Pizar** - October 13, 2017 at 10:43 PM



“ *Tracey Mercer Niemann lit a candle in memory of Dennis D. Miller*



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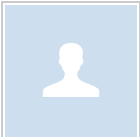
**Tracey Mercer Niemann** - October 13, 2017 at 03:49 PM



*Janet and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. You have my deepest sympathy. Thinking of you. Gary Calhoon*

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**Gary Calhoon** - October 14, 2017 at 02:03 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis D. Miller.*



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October 13, 2017 at 02:09 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dennis D. Miller.*



October 13, 2017 at 02:02 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis D. Miller.*



October 13, 2017 at 01:35 PM

 Gail Miller

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



**Gail Miller** - October 12, 2017 at 08:45 PM