



Dennis V. Wells

October 16, 1963 - August 7, 2019

Dennis V. Wells, 55, of rural Cairo, died Wednesday, August 07, 2019 as the result of a car accident due to a downed tree.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 10 AM Tuesday at the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 518 West State Street, Grand Island. The Rev. Father Joe Kadaprayil will officiate. Burial will be at 3:30 PM Tuesday in the Hewitt Cemetery Northwest of Lexington.

Visitation will be from 5-7 PM Monday at All Faiths Funeral Home, 2929 South Locust, Grand Island. A rosary will be prayed at 7 pm. A memorial fund will be established in memory of Dennis.

Dennis was born on October 16, 1963 at Lexington, NE, the son of Jim and Sue (Raetz) Wells. He was the oldest of three children. He was raised on a farm outside of Lexington, attended country school, graduating from Lexington High School class of 1982. He received a Mechanized Ag Degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1986.

On June 20, 1987 he was united in marriage to Kimberly Vavrina at Abie, Nebraska. They lived on a farm near Lexington for 13 years before moving to rural Cairo in 2005. Dennis was a professional truck driver, hauling cattle and fuel for many years. Dennis was never afraid of hard work and took great pride in his truck driving career.

On March 15, 1994, their daughter Rachel was born. On August 30, 1996 their second daughter Emily was born. On July 1, 1998 their son Matthew was born. Dennis enjoyed watching his children's activities whether it was in a gym

watching sports or in the show ring at the county fair.

He is a member of the Resurrection Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. Some of his enjoyments include attending gun shows, tractor pulls and raising cattle and pigs. He loved working on projects with his family. His greatest love was time spent with his kids and his wife.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Kim of Cairo; children, Rachel Wells (Gabe Marentes) of Cairo, Emily Wells (Connor Dethlefs) of Cairo and Matthew Wells of Cairo; his mother and step-father, Sue and Larry Lawrence of Payson, AZ; his mother and father-in-law, Terry and Dorothy Vavrina of Abie, NE; sisters, Debra (Michael) Bossung of Mesa, AZ and Dionne (Steven) Pugh of Gilbert, AZ; step-brother, Dereik (Jessie) Hardesty of Kearney; sister-in-law, Lynn (Joe) Hall of David City; brother-in-laws, Rick (Pam) Vavrina of Abie, Randy (Sandy) Vavrina of Abie and Lee Vavrina (Callie Lovell) of David City; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, Jim Wells, step-brother, David Hardesty and his grandparents.

Cemetery Details

Hewitt Cemetery

NW of Lexington, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Dennis V. Wells*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



August 12, 2019 at 06:03 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



August 12, 2019 at 12:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



August 12, 2019 at 10:15 AM

LY

“ Still hard to believe you're gone. Will miss you terribly.

Lynn - August 11, 2019 at 09:31 PM

BM

“ Kim, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dennis reminded me so much of his Dad and Grandpa. May the fond memories and your family, help guide you through the difficult times ahead.

Barbara McCormic - August 11, 2019 at 05:44 PM

MC

“ Like so many others, I was saddened to learn of Dennis' passing. He always struck me as a good, hard working man who cared deeply about his family. You are all in the thoughts and prayers of many.

Mark Coe

Mark Coe - August 10, 2019 at 12:57 PM

NE

“ So sorry Kim and family. I'm thinking of you and hoping your good memories help you through the tough times ahead. Praying for all



Nancy Evans

Nancy Evans - August 10, 2019 at 10:29 AM



SS

“ *Deepest sympathies and condolences to Kim and the family. So sad to hear. God bless this family in this sorrowful time.*
Steve & Monica Samek.

Steve Samek - August 10, 2019 at 08:49 AM

BK

“ *Bev, Paula, Ryan, Jason, Tina, Kolby, Desi & kids purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



Bev, Paula, Ryan, Jason, Tina, Kolby, Desi & kids - August 09, 2019 at 11:49 PM



“ *Large Heart - 'Death leaves a heartache' was purchased for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



August 09, 2019 at 11:04 PM



“ *Heavenly and Harmony was purchased for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



August 09, 2019 at 12:38 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis V. Wells.*



August 08, 2019 at 11:31 PM



“ *Kim and family,*

Dennis will be missed dearly by everyone. He was always a pleasure to visit with whenever I would meet up with him. I will always remember our conversations we had when he would call me with any concerns or questions he would have with his Timpte trailer. Then our talks would turn to how our family and kids are doing or anything else that would be going on in the trucking industry. I will truly miss visiting with him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of loss.

Kirk and Deb Marushak

Kirk Marushak - August 08, 2019 at 11:02 PM



So sorry to hear about Dennis. He was a good guy love to joke around when we both pulled tankers at MRK. God bless you all my thoughts and prayers to his family.

kelly peden - August 09, 2019 at 07:21 PM

TK

“ Tammy, Mark, Nate, and Matt Kielian purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Dennis V. Wells.



Tammy, Mark, Nate, and Matt Kielian - August 08, 2019 at 04:24 PM

AA

“ Kim and family,
We were so saddened to hear about Dennis and what happened during the storm. May God wrap you and yours in His loving arms and give you comfort and peace. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.
In Christ,
The Aquinas Alumni Association



Aquinas Alumni Association - August 08, 2019 at 04:03 PM