



## Kenneth James Roy Sr.

May 25, 1954 - October 26, 2021

Kenneth James Roy Sr., 67, of rural Dannebrog passed away peacefully Tuesday, October 26, 2021, with his beloved wife by his side after a long and hard-fought battle with cancer.

Service and celebration of Kenneth's life will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday at All Faiths Funeral Home. There will be a visitation from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service. Burial will follow in Westlawn Cemetery.

Kenneth was born May 25, 1954, to Robert and Beulah (Keldsen) Roy. Ken grew up in Ashton where he attended school through the 8th grade. He then attended Loup City High School, graduating in 1972.

On May 25, 1977, Ken married Nancy Joy Wilson. The couple made their home in rural Dannebrog where they raised their children, Victoria, Sarah and Kenneth Jr. "Rusty". Ken was active in the community as a volunteer firefighter, T-ball coach and ball association volunteer and was a member of the Lower Loup Muzzleloaders.

Ken worked for Farmers Union in St. Paul for several years before buying and operating the meat locker in Dannebrog "Roy's Steakmaster." In 1991, Ken changed career paths and became an insurance agent for Farm Bureau Insurance in St. Paul. Before retiring in 2020 due to his health, Ken was an agent with Nebraska Insurance Agency, The Pinnacle Agency and Christensen Insurance in St. Paul. Down to earth, personable, and honest, he worked hard for his clients, most of whom were also his friends.

Ken was the definition of "a good 'ole country boy". He loved a cold beer, good

music, everything Mopar, and his family. He was an avid outdoorsman...loving all things hunting, fishing and nature related. He taught many people how to clean a deer and was a bow hunting safety instructor for several years. Ken loved the country, his chickens, livestock, horses and especially his English Springer Spaniels.

The best "Papa" in the world, Ken's grandchildren adored him for his humor, his wealth of knowledge and his devotion to them. He loved teaching them about nature, hunting, fishing and animals. He was an amazing cook and shared many amazing meals with them. He will be forever remembered and forever missed.

Ken's memory will be cherished by his loving wife of nearly 45 years, Nancy; children, Bridget (Michelle) Roy of Omaha, Victoria (Shannon) Mackey of Boelus, Sarah Roy (Adam Paro) of Dannebrog and Rusty (Sara) Roy of Elba; beloved grandchildren, James, Claire, Wyatt and Adalyn Adams, Colt Paro, Reid and Cole Mackey, Sawyer Roy, Alex Rosecrans; and step grandchildren, Beau and Zaden Paro and Samantha and Brock Sass.

He is also survived by brother, David (Diane) Roy of Watertown, NY; sisters, Nancy Badura of Grand Island and Tami (Bryan) Herald of Chapman; brother-in-law, Dwayne Wilson; sisters-in-law, Pat Eberly, Joan (Jake) Mowry; Kay (Lynn) Steinbeck and Peggy (Clancey) Wilson; his Aunt Delores Roy; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; parents-in-law, Glen and Goldie Wilson; sister, Diana Lee Chism; brothers-in-law, George Eberly and Dean Lee; sister-in-law, Caryl Wilson; brother-in-law and dear friend, Larry Badura; nephew, Ricky Lee; and nieces, Catherine and Janyice Badura.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later date.

Online remembrances may be left at [www.giallfaiths.com](http://www.giallfaiths.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Westlawn Memorial Park

3826 West Stolley Park Road  
Grand Island, NE 68803

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **30**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
2929 S Locust St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
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## Celebration of Life Service

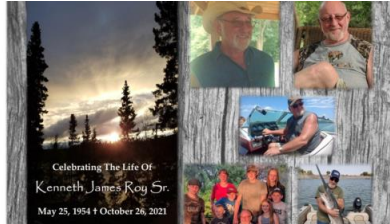
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# Tribute Wall



“ All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Kenneth James Roy Sr.



All Faiths Funeral Home - October 30, 2021 at 10:42 AM



“ Kenneth James Roy Sr.

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ My sympathies to the family. Every time I had anything to do with Ken he was a friendly, helpful man with a sense of humor and a ready smile. He will be well-remembered by many.

Mark Coe - October 30, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ Nancy & family, fly high Ken into the arms of God. So sorry for the loss of your brother. Take good care, and God hold you close. Marge Shade



Marge & Jim Shade - October 30, 2021 at 10:06 AM

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“ I first met Ken in 1978 after I had graduated from EHS. I was 18 years old and had started my first real time job at Farmer Union Coop in Dannebrog and Saint Paul. I would work with Ken in the off season in the shop at Saint Paul, doing oil changes, basic tune ups, tires, etc. When things would wind down at the end of the day we would go in the back bay area and target practice with our bow and arrows. He taught me the proper way to shoot a recurve bow. No fancy releases the natural instinctive way. Needless to say I was hooked. Later on when my kids were old enough to bow hunt and certification was required. We found out that there were very few Bow Hunter Education Instructors in our area. Well Ken took the buck by the horns so to speak and contacted the Nebraska Game and Parks and an instructor certification class was held in the meeting room of Farm Bureau Insurance in 1995. Ken, myself, Rich Kosmicki, Brent Keller and Pat George were all certified. Rich and I are still active instructors to this day.

*I loved his laugh, it was a cross between Roscoe P. Coaltrain and Enus lol. His smile was contagious and he would always have a kind word to say to everyone. Needless to say he was my mentor and helped to mold me into the outdoorsman and mentor that I am today. I know for a fact that his outdoor legacy will be passed on for generations to come. Go rest high on the mountain friend. God, Family and the Outdoors. Tony Morrow*

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**Anton Morrow** - October 28, 2021 at 11:24 AM

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“ We loved to hear Ken laugh, that could always put A smile on your face. I never heard Ken say an unkind word about anyone. RIP Ken.

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**iola. torres** - October 27, 2021 at 10:58 PM

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“ I grew up hanging out with Rusty. We would spend hours in his shop. He would teach us how to skin and bone deer although we were never as good as him. Rusty and I were always building something and I remember him always showing us better ways to do things. He was a great man and a great father I looked up to him a lot growing up as my father passed away in 1998. He taught me how to shoot a bow and Ofcourse instructed me on my Bowhunter's education. He was a great man and I know Rusty looked up to him more than anything. He will be greatly missed RIP ole man Roy!

*Kent Chelewski*

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**kent chelewski** - October 27, 2021 at 06:34 PM