



## Robert "Bob" Lee Loewenstein Jr

February 6, 1948 - January 30, 2024

Robert "Bob" Loewenstein Jr., 75, of Grand Island passed away on Tuesday, January 30, 2024.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at All Faiths Funeral Home. Dan Naranjo will officiate. Burial will follow at Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, Bob's family requests that donations be made to his family for designation to St. Jude's Childrens Hospital. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

He was born on February 6, 1948 in Kearney, NE to Robert Lee Loewenstein Sr. and Beverly Ann Johnson.

The family moved to Grand Island when Bob was two years old. He was a star athlete in football and track at Grand Island Senior High School, graduating in 1966.

Bob received a football scholarship to the University of Wyoming, which he attended his freshman year. But he said it was too cold and too remote for him and began his sophomore year at San Diego State in California.

In the summer of 1969, at the age of 21, he suffered a spinal cord injury after diving from a pier into Clear Lake in northern California. He was left a quadriplegic. After 6 months of hospitalization at Rancho Los Amigos hospital and then care in the home of his father, he moved back to San Diego where he continued his education at San Diego State where he received his Master's Degree in Counseling. After college, he began his career in counseling in Los

Angeles, CA.

He moved back to Grand Island in 1975 and became a youth counselor for teens. He also was a member of the City Council, a board member of the Nebraska Humane Society and Senior Citizens. He coached ladies' softball, where he met his beloved wife, Cindy Edwards. He won a landmark lawsuit against the state after which a handicapped coach was allowed to be on the field. He was instrumental in development of Alternated Education at Grand Island Senior High School.

Bob began his hobby of raising and breeding miniature donkeys on his home property called Sunset Acres.

Bob is survived by his devoted wife of 36 years, Cindy (married on 4/18/1987) who cared for him and his donkeys and properties so well that he was able to live comfortably at home until his death.

Bob is also survived by his siblings, Cindy Taylor, Rich Loewenstein, 14 nieces and nephews and 18 great-nieces and nephews; dear friend, Mary Ann Richards.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and brother, Ron Loewenstein.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

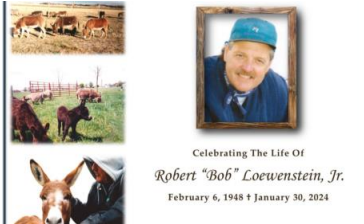
FEB 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Robert "Bob" Lee Loewenstein Jr



All Faiths Funeral Home - February 13, 2024 at 09:50 AM



“ Divine Light was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" Lee Loewenstein Jr.



February 10, 2024 at 02:57 PM



“ Margie Loewensstein and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" Lee Loewenstein Jr.

Margie Loewensstein and family - February 10, 2024 at 02:57 PM



“ Richard D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" Lee Loewenstein Jr.

Richard D. - February 09, 2024 at 03:04 PM

ML

“ To know Bob was to love him, what a inspiration to all that had the privilege of knowing him, he will always be remembered as that shining star in our lives. Love never dies... Margie Loewenstein

Margie Loewenstein - February 04, 2024 at 04:28 PM

CB

“ Good man. We worked together often thru his work with the schools and mine as a Probation Officer.

Carroll Brown - February 02, 2024 at 05:26 PM

MF

“ MARIAN FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" Loewenstein

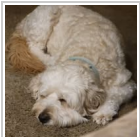


MARIAN WALTERS FAMILY - February 02, 2024 at 12:06 PM

CA

“ Rich and Debbie and Cindy,  
I am so sorry for your loss. I haven't seen Bob in recent years but when I did see him, he always spoke and shared a friendly smile.  
Sincerely,  
Cindy Avila

Cindy Avila - February 01, 2024 at 11:47 PM



“ I graduated from Senior High in 1967 - even though I didn't know Bob I knew of him and saw him a lot in school. He was an amazing athlete and always had a smile on his face.

Sharon Van Dyke - February 01, 2024 at 11:56 AM

DM

“ *Dear Bob may you rest in the Lord's arm and be free to run with your family . Cindy may your comfort be your good memories of your life with Bob. May the Lord give you comfort and strength in the days ahead.Amen*

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**Deb(Debbie Sue) Merritt** - February 01, 2024 at 10:05 AM