



Lee Rieke Bourquin

February 25, 1962 - November 6, 2023

Lee Rieke Bourquin, 61, of Kansas City, Kansas, passed away on November 6, 2023, at the University of Kansas Medical Center. Lee was born February 25, 1962, in Kansas City, KS, the son of Alfonse “Butch” and Sandra Rieke Bourquin.

Lee thoroughly enjoyed spending time outdoors, whether it involved activities like boating, skiing, jet skiing, or snow skiing, he love being outdoors and loved the water. His heart truly thrived in the embrace of nature. He embodied the spirit of an extroverted adventurer, constantly seeking the company of others and effortlessly connecting with anyone he met. Lee worked hard to build a business in excavating and concrete work, taking extreme pride in the finished product. He often felt he was the only one who could do the job right, as his coworkers and friends know. Music was a source of solace and inspiration for him. One of his cherished pastimes was exploring new culinary delights at diverse restaurants, proudly regarding himself as a culinary enthusiast. His passion for food even led him to a memorable appearance on an episode of "Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives." After tasting the ribs, he said “his taste buds were dancing”. This remark landed him an appearance on the episode. Lee possessed a heart overflowing with compassion, kindness, and generosity, consistently contributing to causes he held dear. Above all, he cherished the invaluable moments spent with his beloved friends and family. He is preceded in death by his father, Alfonse “Butch” Bourquin. Lee is

survived by his mother, Sandra (Rieke) Bourquin; siblings, Antonia "Toni" Rieke (Bruce) and Michael Rieke Bourquin; niece Savannah Rieke Newson (Logan); nephew Antone Rieke; and many dear friends.

The family will hold a visitation from 6:00-8:00 PM on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at Maple Hill Funeral Home, with a prayer service and Rosary beginning at 5:15 PM. The Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Shawnee, Kansas. Burial will follow at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Lee would love a memorial contribution(s) to St. Jude Children's Hospital, Jerusalem Prayer Team International or a local animal shelter (KC Pet Project, Wayside Waifs, Great Plains SPCA).

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

Shawnee, KS

Previous Events

Prayer Service

NOV 14. 5:15 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
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Mass of Christian Burial

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St. Joseph Catholic Church
11311 Johnson Drive
Shawnee, KS 66203

Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Lee Rieke Bourquin*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - November 14, 2023 at 12:29 PM



“ *Lee I will miss you here in the VAD Clinic. From your favorite Medical Assistant.-Desiree*

Desiree Mack - November 20, 2023 at 03:43 PM

DH

“ Dear Mike....Wow I see your smile in Lee's or his in yours:)
I'm so sorry for your loss Mike, and your Mom's loss, and your family's' loss.

Reading an obituary provides insight to a person's life. I wish I had known Lee and his love of nature, water, music, food!

Jenni & I would have had a lot of fun together with Lee, and you (I'm happy when I hear the cassettes of classical music you made for me).

Contrary to his culinary pleasures, we'll always have our 'pasta salad' story:) Sorry about that...but you were always welcome to our frig and, dude, you chose the wrong food! It had been there awhile, sorry about that!

St. Jude's is one of our favorite charities....they're efficient with the spending of their donations and their mission is magnified because of it.

*Please come see us in Oskaloosa sometime.....we have peaceful place here, and you and those you love are always welcome.
Deep breath.....d&j*

Dottie Hissong - November 15, 2023 at 06:38 PM

TR

“ Dear Sandra and family,
My heart is breaking for you. I can not imagine the pain you must feel. I pray you will find some comfort and peace in your memories of the time you all had together.

*Sending love,
Trudy Rosner*

Trudy McGrath Rosner - November 14, 2023 at 03:33 PM



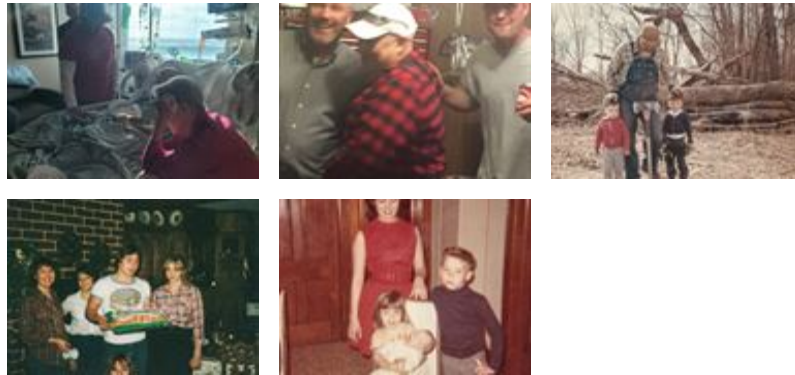
“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lee Rieke Bourquin.



November 14, 2023 at 12:23 PM



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