



## Lee Edward Ellingson

October 22, 1953 - September 4, 2025

Lee Ellingson, 71, passed away at his home on September 4, 2025.

Born in Des Moines, Iowa, to Richard and Chloris Ellingson, Lee was the second of four boys. He spent much of his childhood in San Jose, California, where he and his brothers became well-known for their spirited antics—always keeping life lively and never missing a chance for a little mischief. Those bonds with his brothers remained strong throughout his life, filled with love, laughter, and even a friendly football rivalry between Nebraska and Iowa that carried on for decades.

A natural athlete, Lee was a standout multi-sport competitor at Valley High School, graduating in 1971. His talents earned him an opportunity to walk on to the wrestling program at the collegiate level at Drake University. Ultimately, he chose academics, going on to earn his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and his Master's Degree in Accounting from Drake University, where he was inducted into the Beta Gamma Sigma international business honor society.

Lee built a distinguished career of nearly 36 years as a CPA with Peter Kiewit, remembered for his professionalism, dedication, and integrity.

Beyond work, Lee lived life with energy and passion. He loved golf, running,

taekwondo, chess, and reading. A lifelong sports enthusiast, he cheered faithfully for Nebraska, Creighton, and San Francisco. But nothing brought him more joy than spending his life with his wife Chele and supporting his children, stepchildren and grandchildren and all extended family—he rarely missed a chance to be on the sidelines at their games and events.

Lee was preceded in death by his Father, Richard Ellingson. He is survived by his Wife, Chele (Wostoupal), Mother, Chloris Ellingson, Children, Michelle and her husband, Chad LeRiger (children Henry, Leo, and Anna), Jackie and her husband, Israel Chavez (children John, Ava, and Jake), Dan and his wife, Leslie Ellingson (Darling) (children Abram and Audra), Stepchildren, Paige and her husband, Tony Sanchez, Ross Meyer and his wife, Angel (children Michele and Conrad), and Brothers, Larry, Kevin, and Kyle Ellingson.

# Previous Events

## Visitation with family

SEP **13.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
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Elkhorn, NE 68022  
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## Funeral Service

SEP **13.** 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Nancy lit a candle in memory of Lee Edward Ellingson*



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**Nancy** - September 09, 2025 at 01:29 PM

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*Our thoughts and prayers are with you & the family. We wish we could have attended his services to pay our respects. A memorial has been sent to Prospect Hill Cemetery. Kevin & Linda Renner*

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**Kevin & Linda Renner** - September 19, 2025 at 11:24 PM