



## Lyle Kevin Olson

November 18, 1961 - February 2, 2024

Lyle Kevin Olson was born on November 18, 1961 in South St. Paul, Minnesota to Dennis and Joyce (Phillips) Olson. He grew up in Valley where he graduated high school in 1981. As a young child in Minnesota, he would go to neighbors' houses for breakfast telling each neighbor that he hadn't had breakfast yet, just to get a good variety from them. He ended at Cousin Caroline's, the babysitter's house, that he was intended to go straight to after completing his breakfast tour.

Lyle was an adventurous kid. He had a horse named Sugar and a potato chip-loving goat named Priscilla. The trio had many wild west adventures by day and by night. He would sneak out of the house to ride the neighbor, Grandpa Safford's, hogs and then sneak back in and go to bed.

Lyle and Peggy were married August 28, 1983 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Valley. From this union three children were born: Andy, Lisa, and Savannah. Life was never dull while raising three children. At times he would wake them up with air horns or by throwing cups of ice water at them when he thought they had enough sleep. When he wasn't causing chaos at home, he was working alongside his mom, brothers, and sister at Two-Way Trucking. After his mom's retirement he worked at Nebraska Atlantic Transportation, then finally started Olson Motor Lines with Peggy, Andy, and Savannah until his retirement.

Some of the most important events in Lyle's life were marrying Peggy, having his 3 children and later all 7 of his grandchildren. He was most proud of earning a profit with Granny after a hard first year trucking on their own. Lyle enjoyed going on many Lyle and Lyla (Avery) Adventures. Those who knew him well knew if you were to receive texts from Lyle, you'd understand that an immediate response was necessary, or you'd be receiving many texts reading "Hello!" until you replied. Some of his favorite sayings he often used were "Yeppers", and "Shake and bake, baby. Shake and bake."

Generous, kind, hilarious, ridiculous, and one-of-a-kind were some words that could be used to describe Lyle. He was always making people laugh hysterically or get fuming mad. He had a "knack" for pissing people off, especially Peggy. Lyle was a natural born salesman and smartass. He had many fictitious professions such as doctor, blender salesman, plastic surgeon, handyman, and dog trainer just to name a few.

Lyle wasn't at all picky when it came to food. He would eat anything so long as he knew where it came from, who made it, and how it was cooked. He loved Big Fred's or dreaming up the most insane food combinations mostly to be found inedible by anyone. Lyle enjoyed cheering on the Huskers, or whoever was winning. He loved watching his granddaughter, Leigha, play volleyball and basketball on YouTube or in person when he was able. He was an excellent golf coach to many people throughout the years. He loved loud music and would often play the air guitar or drums. He loved people and never met a stranger. He was painfully funny and minced no words in telling friends that Avery was his favorite of the 7 grandkids but loved them all equally. Avery was the go-to Lyle whisperer; if anything was needed from Lyle, you were best served to tell Avery and have her tell Grandpa to almost always get it. He was so proud of his "well trained dog" Sheldon.

Lyle passed away in Elkhorn, Nebraska on February 2, 2024 with his friends and family by his side. He is survived by his wife, Peggy; children: Andy (Audrey), Lisa (Chris), and Savannah (Shane); grandchildren: Leigha, Paige, Hannah, Avery, Emily, Henry, and June; siblings: Scott, Jeff, and Denise. He is preceded in death by his parents and infant brother, Dennis Jr.

VISITATION: 4-7PM, Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at Reichmuth Funeral Home in Elkhorn.

FUNERAL SERVICE: 10:30AM, Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Valley, NE. Memorials can be made to the family for later designation.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
402-289-2222  
services@reichmuthfuneralhomes.com  
<https://www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

FEB 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mark's Lutheran Church (Valley)  
115 W Meigs St  
Valley, NE 68064  
(402) 359-2315

# Tribute Wall



“ *Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Lyle Kevin Olson*



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**Reichmuth Funeral Home** - February 04, 2024 at 10:30 AM

TR

*Lyle was a great neighbor for many years. Sending our condolences to his family. May he rest in peace. Gone to soon. Sending love and prayers.*

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**Tom & Kathy Roy** - February 05, 2024 at 02:02 AM

KK

*Lyle, you will be missed by your friends and family. I'll never forget that impish grin when we were cousins growing up and getting together in Nebraska. Go Big Red! Love, Kelly (Phillips) Kamowski*

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**Kelly Kamowski** - February 05, 2024 at 10:35 AM

DJ

*My Cousin Lyle,*

*Wow. My life was affected by this rascal of a cousin. In 1969ish my far away cousins from Minnesota came to visit us in Huron S. Dakota close on the fourth of July. He being almost 2 years older led the way in the fireworks fun. I liked putting a firecracker on the ground,,, he wanted to blow up cans, mailboxes and grasshoppers. It was an eyeopening experience If your punk went out "just use cigarettes", if blowing up a firecracker was great how would blowing a whole brick or more at once be.*

*Years go by with little contact with our Nebraska cousins when suddenly we visit for a few days at the lake. Lyle is 17 and I am 15. I wanted go swimming, he wanted to jump ramps on the skis,, I wanted to talk about girls, he busted out playboys. I wanted get a ride on someones new motorcycle, he wanted to borrow it without asking. Years go by and life gets in the way and finally almost 40 years had past. My wife (Kristi) and I met the Olson gang again, thanks to my sister Sonya, in Nebraska at a steakhouse. I was shocked,,,here were two 50 year old men who still pictured each other as teenagers getting reacquainted. The devilish sparkle in his eyes and the lets get into trouble grin were all the same. The group, but especially Lyle explained a life time of "lets blow up a mailbox" experiences. For the only time in my life I laughed so hard, I couldn't breath. I had to leave the table or pass out from lack of oxygen. Stories from pouring beer on hockey players heads to convincing troubling callers to disassemble their computers rang out through the night.*

*As a teacher I sometimes would read books to my students. There is a book "Harris and Me" by Gary Paulsen that I always read first (Being my favorite). As I would read this the character of Harris in my head was the nine year old grinning Lyle I had grown to love. If you want to meet the Lyle I knew meet Harris.*

*I guess I am saying, Lyle thanks for the memories! Love you! Dane*

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**Dane Jorgensen** - February 05, 2024 at 01:02 PM

DC

*I will miss your gift of gab and never giving up when you wanted someone to work for you. Always finding the right fit for a person or at least trying.*

*Thanks for everything! Love and miss you, Debbie*

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**Deborah Clark** - February 06, 2024 at 05:40 PM

MM

“ So sorry for your loss. Sending our deepest sympathies to all of your family. God bless.  
Mindy and Bryon Miller and family



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**Mindy Miller** - February 07, 2024 at 06:34 PM

RH

“ 1 file added to the album Funeral Service



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**Reichmuth Funeral Home** - February 07, 2024 at 03:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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February 06, 2024 at 03:16 PM

LF

“ Lori Barcel and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

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**Lori Barcel and family** - February 06, 2024 at 03:16 PM

JL

“ James L. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



James L. - February 06, 2024 at 09:43 AM

JL

“ James L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

James L. - February 06, 2024 at 09:43 AM

DL

“ Darling logistics purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



Darling logistics - February 06, 2024 at 08:35 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



February 05, 2024 at 10:25 PM

LM

“ Lori & Mike McEvoy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

Lori & Mike McEvoy - February 05, 2024 at 10:25 PM

MF

“ Mike, Susi Chambless & family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Mike, Susi Chambless & family** - February 05, 2024 at 08:18 PM

MF

“ From: Mike, Susi Chambless & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

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**Mike, Susi Chambless & family** - February 05, 2024 at 08:18 PM

MB

“ Matt & Tammy Burger purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Matt & Tammy Burger** - February 05, 2024 at 08:17 PM

SF

“ Scott and Robin Olson and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

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**Scott and Robin Olson and family** - February 05, 2024 at 01:47 PM

SF

“ *Scott and Robin Olson and family purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.*



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**Scott and Robin Olson and family** - February 05, 2024 at 01:47 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.*



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February 05, 2024 at 10:54 AM

DN

“ *Darling Ingredients-Wahoo NE purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.*



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**Darling Ingredients-Wahoo NE** - February 05, 2024 at 10:20 AM

DL

“ *Peggy, Lisa, Andy and Savannah - I am so sorry. You are such a wonderful family. It has been a blessing to have Lyle as my cousin. You are in my heart. Love always, Diana*

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**Diana Jorgensen Laird** - February 05, 2024 at 10:05 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.*



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February 05, 2024 at 09:52 AM



“ *Diana Jorgensen Laird planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.*

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**Diana Jorgensen Laird** - February 05, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.*



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February 05, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.*



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February 05, 2024 at 09:12 AM

RF

“ Rick Hawthorne and Family purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



Rick Hawthorne and Family - February 05, 2024 at 07:54 AM

RF

“ Rick Hawthorne and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

Rick Hawthorne and Family - February 05, 2024 at 07:54 AM

DC

“ Debbie Clark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

Debbie Clark - February 04, 2024 at 10:49 PM

DC

“ Debbie Clark purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



Debbie Clark - February 04, 2024 at 10:49 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



February 04, 2024 at 07:08 PM

BG

“ Bob & Rhonda Griger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

Bob & Rhonda Griger - February 04, 2024 at 06:46 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



February 04, 2024 at 06:46 PM

DC

“ Don and Coco planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

Don and Coco - February 04, 2024 at 05:21 PM

DC

“ Don and Coco purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



Don and Coco - February 04, 2024 at 05:21 PM

DJ

“ Dane, Kristi and Kaitlin Jorgensen purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Dane, Kristi and Kaitlin Jorgensen** - February 04, 2024 at 04:39 PM

LS

“ Love Jim & Teri Schmidt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

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**Love Jim & Teri Schmidt** - February 04, 2024 at 04:12 PM

LS

“ Love Jim & Teri Schmidt purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Love Jim & Teri Schmidt** - February 04, 2024 at 04:12 PM

LF

“ Lisa Forsythe purchased the *Crystal Cross Bouquet* for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Lisa Forsythe** - February 04, 2024 at 03:08 PM

DK

“ Dave and Terrie Karas purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Dave and Terrie Karas** - February 04, 2024 at 01:54 PM

TF

“ The Don Sutton family purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**The Don Sutton family** - February 04, 2024 at 01:42 PM

JD

“ Jody Divoll planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lyle Kevin Olson.

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**Jody Divoll** - February 04, 2024 at 12:07 PM

JD

“ Jody Divoll purchased the *Emerald Garden Basket* for the family of Lyle Kevin Olson.



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**Jody Divoll** - February 04, 2024 at 12:07 PM