



## Korey Meinders

May 18, 1965 - August 27, 2025

Korey Meinders, 60, of Ackley, passed away Wednesday, August 27, 2025 at his home in Ackley. Funeral services will be 1:30 PM Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at the St. John's United Church of Christ in Ackley. He will be laid to rest at the Oakwood Cemetery following the service. A public visitation will be held from 5-7 PM on Tuesday at the church. In lieu of flowers, those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorials to: Sons of the American Legion, AGWSR Mat Club, Dollars for Scholars or St. John's UCC in Ackley. Woodley Funeral Home of Iowa Falls is caring for Korey and his family.

Korey Jon Meinders was born on May 18, 1965 to Kenneth and Carolyn (DeVries) Meinders in Hampton, Iowa. Korey graduated from Ackley-Geneva High School class of 1983. He attended Ellsworth Community College.

On September 16, 1995 Korey was united in marriage to Dawn Maree' Reeves in Ackley, Iowa.

Korey enjoyed staying busy. He worked in ag retail his entire adult life. He built many connections throughout his career. Korey also found joy in handcrafting flags. You can find his flags in just about every county, and probably every state. Many were requested, but even more were donated. Korey spent most of his spare time caring for others, which included, but was not limited to, serving on the church council at St. John's, flipping burgers for the Sons of the

American Legion, volunteering for various tasks for Sauerkraut Days, announcing sporting events at AGWSR High School and serving on City Council, Dollars for Scholars and the AGWSR Mat Club.

Korey's true legacy came from the relationships that he formed with the people he met. Whether he was at the local gas station or across state lines while driving to Nebraska, he always knew someone. They were always a friend to him. He always went out of his way to make others feel welcome. If you were new to the group or family, you could count on Korey being the first one to get to know you and make you feel special. Anyone who drove by the house always knew they could stop by the garage, where you would often find Korey crafting flags, grilling, or "greasing the windmill" with his friends.

Korey was a family man at heart. At a young age, he became the patriarch of the Meinders family. Korey married the love of his life, Dawn, in September of 1995. They spent their 24 years of marriage building flags, gardening and raising their two sons, Clay and Caleb. Korey was incredibly proud of his boys. He never missed a sporting event, ensured they were well fed and always taught them to be kind. He loved them dearly and will continue to watch over them. Korey always cooked an omelet breakfast for his family on Memorial Day. He proudly placed last in every annual Meinders Family Pumpkin Carving Contest. Korey is also known for cheating in every game at family events. One of his most memorable victories was during the family's 3-legged race, where he picked up his niece and carried her across the finish line. In July of 2024, Korey was blessed when his granddaughter Kennie was born. He loved spending time with her and watching her grow. He will continue to look down on her fondly.

Over the last few years, Korey has enjoyed traveling to new places with his partner, Dulci Arends. They enjoyed spending time with their children and grandchildren, working on various projects around their homes, gardening and

hanging out with their friends.

In reality, we could go on about how Korey impacted and cared deeply for those around him. Everyone fortunate enough to meet Korey felt as if they were his best friend.

Korey Meinders is survived by his sons, Clayton (Kelli) Meinders of Cedar Falls, Iowa, Caleb (Brianna) Meinders of Waterloo, Iowa; granddaughter, Kennie Marie; sister, Krista (Bruce) Dieken of Ackley, Iowa; brother, Greg (Chasity) Meinders of Pleasant Hill, Iowa; girlfriend, Dulci Arends of Ackley, Iowa. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Adriane (John) Martinez; mother-in-law, Carol Reeves and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dawn Meinders; his parents, Kenneth and Carla Meinders, father-in-law, Rock Reeves and brother-in-law, Dave Wagner.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

Ackley, IA 50601

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. John's United Church of Christ  
716 3rd Avenue  
Ackley, IA 50601

## Service

SEP 3. 1:30 PM (CT)

St. John's United Church of Christ  
716 3rd Avenue  
Ackley, IA 50601

# Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Korey was a much better person than Kendall Meyer, Ackley Fire Chief, and my nephew.*

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**Mary Rameyer** - November 23, 2025 at 08:07 AM

MR

*Kendall Meyer is my nephew.*

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**Mary Rameyer** - November 23, 2025 at 08:08 AM

MR

“ *I was fat in junior high and always picked last to be on a team. Korey cheered me on at track meets and in PE class. I took shop because he was in shop. Memories.*

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**Mary Rameyer** - October 27, 2025 at 03:35 AM

MR

“ *Hey Korey,*

*I research cold cases.*

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**Mary Jo Rameyer** - September 20, 2025 at 04:02 AM

MR

*I am working on yours right now.*

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**Mary Jo Rameyer** - September 24, 2025 at 02:17 AM

JF

“ Jackie, Tom and their families purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Korey Meinders.



Jackie, Tom and their families - September 03, 2025 at 08:04 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.



September 02, 2025 at 02:06 PM

LD

“ Latimer Fire Department purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Korey Meinders.



Latimer Fire Department - September 02, 2025 at 12:19 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.



September 02, 2025 at 11:54 AM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.



September 02, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.



September 02, 2025 at 10:36 AM



“ *Hubbard Financial Group* purchased the *Florist Choice Bouquet* for the family of Korey Meinders.



**Hubbard Financial Group** - September 02, 2025 at 10:35 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Korey Meinders.

September 01, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.*



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September 01, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ *Memories. Nice family.  
The quiet ride in the Farmer's CO-OP Feed Truck is unforgettable.  
Elementary school through high school. I just can't believe Korey is not here with us anymore.*

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**Mary Rameyer** - August 31, 2025 at 03:44 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.*



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August 28, 2025 at 03:22 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Korey Meinders.*

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August 28, 2025 at 03:22 PM

MP

“ Thoughts and prayers to The Meinder family, Korey would always wave and shout hello. R.I.P.



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**Marci Phillips** - August 28, 2025 at 10:26 AM

BT

“ Korey will be missed by so many in this community. He was always ready with a helping hand. Sympathies to the family.

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**Betty Thronson** - August 28, 2025 at 10:03 AM

DF

“ Sorry to hear about Cory's passing. I've known him for years he used to come when we were growing up by Chapin to his cousins, The Devries Family s , and when we moved to Latimer, became friends again, RIP! David , Zachari , Kaleb Meyer. Latimer la

was a easy-going man ,I'm sure you will definitely be missed RIP David ,

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**David Meyer and Family** - August 28, 2025 at 01:28 AM

TR

“*Korey was one of the kindest people in the whole town. He always had a big smile, waved and said, "Hello" while calling you by name. In even a brief conversation, you could see he was completely present and valued the interaction. If I was walking in the park and he was outside working in the garage, Licorice would tug intensely at the leash to go see him-and when we did Korey always checked to see if he needed a drink of water. Genuine, funny, constantly doing things to help the community, and 100% top shelf. Not many people left like that in the world, Licorice and I will miss him. Rest in Paradise my friend, I absolutely can't believe you are gone.*”

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**Todd Ruskowski** - August 27, 2025 at 09:50 PM

VI

“*My deepest sympathies to your family during this time of your loss. May you find peace and comfort in God's loving embrace.*”

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**Vicky** - August 27, 2025 at 08:37 PM

SK

“*My sympathies & prayers to the families. Korey was definitely a fun-loving, caring, honest, & dedicated guy. Riding around in High School in Orange Crush that "some" short people had difficulty getting into. He will sadly be missed but happily remembered!!!*”

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**Steph Knipfel** - August 27, 2025 at 07:57 PM

CW

“*Cody and Alyssa Williams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Korey Meinders.*”

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**Cody and Alyssa Williams** - August 27, 2025 at 07:32 PM

CW

“ Cody and Alyssa Williams purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Korey Meinders.



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**Cody and Alyssa Williams** - August 27, 2025 at 07:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Korey Meinders.



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August 27, 2025 at 06:18 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Korey Meinders.

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August 27, 2025 at 06:18 PM

DI

“ Dean and Misty Ibeling purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Korey Meinders.



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**Dean and Misty Ibeling** - August 27, 2025 at 05:43 PM

 Dave Lutterman

“ Korey was a great guy and fun to be with! Haven't seen him for quite a while! Sorry to hear this!!

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**Dave Lutterman** - August 27, 2025 at 04:34 PM

JF

“ Jason Willms Missy Harken and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Korey Meinders.



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**Jason Willms Missy Harken and family** - August 27, 2025 at 02:37 PM

RS

“ Korey was a good man, and he had a kind heart.

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**Rhonda Schwickerath** - August 27, 2025 at 02:17 PM

PA

“ Korey will be missed by so many. He was a real asset to the Ackley community & to St. John's. Thoughts & prayers to the family.  
Penny Anderson



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**Penny Anderson** - August 27, 2025 at 02:11 PM

LP

“ Korey, always so thoughtful to my Dad at the country club, his orange truck in high school, and leaving my dad all the beer cans on a hot summer night. A great guy. So sorry meinders family for your loss.

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**Linda polson** - August 27, 2025 at 02:09 PM

LM

“ I had the privilege of working with Korey for close to 20 years. Korey was one of the good guys. Talked straight, but you always new he had your back. Many sympathies to the boys and their families. Your father is someone you can be very proud of. He will be greatly missed.

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**Larry and Mary Miller** - August 27, 2025 at 01:59 PM

VI

My deepest sympathies to the Caleb and Clayton during of your loss. Korey always welcomed me at Sons of the Legion hamburger fries. I will miss seeing him with his friendly hellos.

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**Vicky** - August 27, 2025 at 08:20 PM

CB

“ So sorry for your loss.

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**Carolyn Brown** - August 27, 2025 at 01:03 PM



“ So Sorry for your loss...I didn't know him very well but Greg and I are in the same class. I know he will be missed by all whom loved him! Prayers for him and his family at this tugh time!

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**Ann Weiss** - August 27, 2025 at 12:58 PM