



## Craig Koepke

January 28, 1952 - August 27, 2023

CEDAR FALLS – Craig Steven Koepke, 71, died peacefully at his home on Sunday, August 27, 2023.

He was born on January 28, 1952, in Waverly, IA, the son of Casper and Elvera (Anderson) Koepke. He graduated from Cedar Falls High School in 1970, then attended Hawkeye Tech to study auto mechanics. He married Vicki McFaden in 1971, later divorcing. On October 4, 2014, he was united in marriage to Sheila Gerholdt at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. Craig was employed as an engineer with the Canadian National Railroad and retired from the Iowa Northern Railway.

Craig is survived by his wife, Sheila; children, Chloe (Sayer) Pryce of Pennsylvania, Amanda (Chris Jones) Koepke of Washington; Caleb (Michelle) Koepke of California; bonus children, AJ (Kayla) Elliott of Cedar Falls, IA, and Katie (Justin) Elliott-Kent of Red Wing, MN; grandchildren, Conner, Gianna, Isaiah, and Colbren; bonus grandchildren, Gage, Tripp, and Falyn; and nephew, Mike (Irma) Koepke.

He was preceded in death by his parents and stepfather, John Holtz.

Memorial contributions to be determined at a later date.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 31, 2023, at Nazareth Lutheran Church, Larsen Chapel in Cedar Falls with visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until service time. Inurnment at Fairview Cemetery in Cedar Falls.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

12th and Division Streets  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 273-8628

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 31. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Nazareth Lutheran Church - Chapel  
7401 University Avenue  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613

## Funeral Service

AUG 31. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Video*



Richardson Funeral Service - November 16, 2023 at 12:38 PM

CH

“ Sheila and family--I was so sad when I read about Craig's passing in the paper. You have been in my prayers. May God lead you through this difficult time. *CJ Hines*

CJ Hines - September 05, 2023 at 01:37 PM

RS

“ 1 file added to the album *Craig Koepke Service*



Richardson Funeral Service - August 31, 2023 at 01:39 PM

WT

“ WSC-School of Business and Technology purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Craig Koepke.



WSC-School of Business and Technology - August 30, 2023 at 09:21 AM

VN

“ Craig was a kind soul...and I enjoyed our messenger “Bible/faith talks.” My sympathy goes out to Sheila and all who loved him, during this season of loss. God Bless

Vonnie Nielsen - August 29, 2023 at 03:08 PM

GE

“ Genine Edem planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Craig Koepke.

Genine Edem - August 29, 2023 at 01:43 PM

GE

“ Genine Edem purchased the Simply Elegant Spa thiphyllum for the family of Craig Koepke.



Genine Edem - August 29, 2023 at 01:43 PM

LS

“ Goodbye, Craig. You and I were friends and family for 52 years. Rest in Peace, brother.  
My love goes out to your children and wife, and to anyone who loved you.  
--Linda McFadden-Schuler

LS - August 29, 2023 at 11:15 AM

AR

“ My condolences to the family. Love, Cousin Andrea

Andrea Ramos Ramos - August 28, 2023 at 07:55 PM

TL

“ Craig always had a smile and a very caring attitude for those he met. Heaven has gained a very precious angel. He will be missed by us and greeted with open arms by family that has already passed.

Tanya Gerholdt Liston - August 28, 2023 at 04:16 PM

IG

My Condolences to the family, 🙏🙏🙏🙏🌸🌸

Irma Guerrero - August 29, 2023 at 07:39 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Craig Koepke.



August 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM

JT

“ Craig was always smiling and we always enjoyed our time with him and Sheila...Fly high young man❤️

Jolyn & Gaylen Timmer - August 28, 2023 at 02:41 PM