



Dennis R. Kellen

December 16, 1967 - June 15, 2018

Dennis R. Kellen, 50, of Aurora, passed away Friday, June 15, 2018 as a result of a highway accident, surrounded by his loving family. He was born December 16, 1967 in Rockford, IL.

Dennis attended St. Rita of Cascia grade school and Aurora Central Catholic High School, graduating from Illinois State University in 1990. He established and ran his own Farmers Insurance Agency for 20 years and more recently was associated with Morcos Insurance Agency. His clients remember him as a caring agent, always taking their needs into consideration. He also spent a number of years as a part-time bartender at Pheasant Run. An avid sports fan and blessed with a fantastic memory, Dennis knew all the stats and players of every major team, college teams, and even local high school teams, and could repeat them years later. He played little league baseball and was a free-throw-shooting star on the 1985-86 Aurora Central "Smurfs" basketball team. Dennis was a great dad and enjoyed nothing more than sitting at one of Brandon's West Aurora basketball games or NIU's baseball games, and watching movies or discussing the latest news and stock market swings with Jon.

He is survived by his sons, Brandon W. Copp and Jon C. Greiner, and his ex-wife, Michele Kellen. He is also survived by his mother, Dolores (Hettinger) Kellen, brother, Jerry Kellen, sister, Nancy Kellen, brother-in-law, Javier Cortes, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Richard L. Kellen.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 23, 2018 at 10:00 AM at St. Rita of Cascia Church. Interment will be at Marywood Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Friday, June 22, 2018 from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 North Lake Street, Aurora. Please visit www.daleidenmortuary.com to leave condolences for Denny's family or sign the guestbook.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in the name of Dennis to Aurora Central Catholic High School, St. Rita of Cascia Church, or Gift of Hope, <https://www.giftofhope.org/monetary-donations>.

Cemetery Details

Marywood Cemetery

Church Road
aurora, IL

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN **22**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary
220 N. Lake Street
Aurora, IL 60506
(630) 631-5500
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

Memorial Mass

JUN **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Rita of Cascia Church
750 Old Indian Trail
Aurora, IL 60506
1-630-892-5918

Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis R. Kellen



Daleiden Mortuary - June 22, 2018 at 11:31 AM

GG

“ Glenn Griffin purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Dennis R. Kellen.



Glenn Griffin - June 21, 2018 at 01:30 PM

MW

“ Jon and Michele,

So sorry for your loss. Sending prayers.

Mary Beth Weltzer - June 20, 2018 at 03:19 PM

TC

My cousin....many fond memories during holidays at Gram & Grampa Gerbins. I'm sending prayers& healing to My extended family.....Dee, Jerry & Nancy. With a heavy heart. Love, Tami Turner- Crandall. Lk. Geneva WI. God bless you all!

Tami Holland Crandall - July 31, 2018 at 06:50 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Dennis R. Kellen.*



June 18, 2018 at 05:59 PM



“ *Michele and Jon,
We will remember our fun times we had together with Denny. He will be missed. Prayers to you both.*

Bill & Diane Brauer - June 18, 2018 at 05:58 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathies to your family. I will always remember what a Star athlete he was. Loved watching him at the Central games! Growing up he was a part of our family as we were of yours!*



Melissa Couty - June 18, 2018 at 05:06 PM