



## Dennis McLaughlin

March 11, 1953 - August 15, 2024

Dennis McLaughlin, 71, Auburn, Kansas, much loved father, grandfather and brother, passed away Thursday, August 15, 2024.

Dennis was born in Aurora, Colorado, March 11, 1953, the son of Harry and Lucille Sevald McLaughlin. He was a 1971 graduate of Hayden High School, earned his degree in business from Washburn University and his master's degree in business administration from Baker University.

Dennis retired from Southwestern Bell as a supervisor with 30 years of service. He stayed busy in retirement, teaching business at Allen County Community College, working with Alltech Communications and driving for Arrow Stage Lines.

A member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Dennis was a devout Catholic. He was big-hearted and always helping someone. But Dennis was also ornery, fun and quite a jokester. He LOVED the KU Jayhawks and could wear a different Jayhawk shirt every day. Most of all, Dennis loved his family, especially his grandchildren and will be greatly missed.

Dennis is survived by his son, Robert (Jamie) McLaughlin; and his grandchildren, Cole and Remi McLaughlin, Genson and Belle Simecka. Dennis is also survived by his brothers, Bill McLaughlin, Topeka, KS, Tom

(Barb) McLaughlin, Littleton, CO, Dan (Kathy) McLaughlin, Topeka, KS; and sisters, Kathy Herriage, Atchison, KS and Mary McLaughlin, Littleton, CO.

Family will greet friends Thursday, August 29th, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka, KS 66614. The rosary will be prayed at 6:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church. Burial will follow in Rochester Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to <https://everloved.com/memorial/dennis-mclaughlin/>

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Rochester Cemetery

1200 NW Menninger Rd  
Topeka, KS 66618

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 29. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
[info@kevinbrennanfamily.com](mailto:info@kevinbrennanfamily.com)

## Rosary

AUG 29. 6:30 PM (CT)

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2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
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## Mass of Christian Burial

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AUG **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church  
3601 SW 17th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis McLaughlin



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - August 23, 2024 at 07:32 PM

LB

*I am saddened by the news and my heart goes out to everyone feeling this loss. It seems like yesterday we would be hanging out at your house laughing and goofing around, swimming, going to the hundred year Harley anniversary and enjoying friendship. But it's been years since we have talked. Denny truly a great and kind soul with a big heart and of course ornery. Time breezes by so fast. Life happens and we get busy on different paths but all the great memories are not forgotten and the echo through my mind to this day and forever. Much love, my friend 💙*

Lisa G and Bren - August 25, 2024 at 08:28 PM

PL

“ I am so sorry to see of the passing of Dennis. Although I have not seen any of your family for decades, I still have amazing memories of our time as neighbors on Forbes. We had so much fun, and I do remember Dennis as a little onery. May your memories provide you comfort.

*Pat (Dunnaway) Lira*

Patricia Lira - September 01, 2024 at 11:14 AM

JC

“ I will miss Dennis, we had great times and many memories on bike trips and family gatherings. Dennis had a heart of gold and would do anything he could to help those around him. While he told me I wasn't “ In the family “, he always treated me like I was. I'll miss our friendly banter and chats.

*John Creager*

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**John Creager** - August 29, 2024 at 09:24 PM

MT

“ I wish to express my deepest sympathy to Dennis's son Robert, Dennis's brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews and the McLaughlin family. Dennis was very special and will be greatly missed. So sad.

*Marcella Tinoco*

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**marcella tinoco** - August 29, 2024 at 03:22 PM

AT

“ Aaron & Maggie and Patrick & Trisha purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dennis McLaughlin.



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**Aaron & Maggie and Patrick & Trisha** - August 27, 2024 at 09:29 AM

RC

“ *Mary,  
Thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers during this difficult  
time.  
Hugs,  
Rod and Susan (Thompson) Chilson*

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**Rod and Susan Chilson** - August 26, 2024 at 09:20 PM

JC

“ Deeply saddened and visibly moved to hear of Dennis’ passing some 11 days ago; sincere and heartfelt condolences to Robert and his family, Dennis’ siblings and all the McLaughlin clan now stretching across several generations. It’s been a significant and glorious blessing to be a part of many McLaughlin functions across almost 45 years where Dennis was present, along with his folks, siblings and other clan members; grateful for his presence, friendship and caring. The feeling here is that a brother has passed, viewed by me as an embraced/adopted faithful brother in spirit - leaving a void and grief that’s inevitable when someone who’s part of one’s extended family is now absent.

*Many, many good times shared and cherished throughout those years; one of the "Go Hawks!" community faithful will now forever watch and cheer for the Jayhawks from above in his new everlasting residence within our Lord’s heavenly realm, eternally at peace and perfectly healed.*

*Humbly offering this blessing: May Dennis have been welcomed by our Lord’s perfectly loving and healing arms, so that he may lie eternally in the humanly unfathomable peace, salve and serenity of His everlasting Kingdom, which is full to overflowing with His unbounded and unconditional love, unending peace, saving mercy and Holy redeeming grace. Too, may those who mourn and grieve find and feel His peace, comfort and healing.*

*Love to all the clan, Jeff and Maureen Cofran*

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**Jeff and Maureen Cofran** - August 26, 2024 at 10:15 AM

RB

*Dennis was a fellow classmate 71 HAYDEN and a friend. He always spoke to me every time we would cross path over the decades since school..he was always a jokester in school and was funny at one liners was honored to have known him..May he rest in peace in God's loving arms..till we meet again*

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**Robert Boeger** - August 26, 2024 at 11:11 AM

MC

*Mary, I am so sorry about the loss of your brother. It is so incredibly difficult losing siblings. My heart is with you. Love & hugs*

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**Marilee Casarona-Orton** - August 26, 2024 at 04:16 PM

AN

“ *Well-said Cousin Kay.  
Dennis surely was always the fun and mischievous one and there was always so much genuine love and caring when the Macs and Robbs got together.  
Hope all of Dennis' loved ones can feel that same love and caring coming from the Robbs at this time.  
Many Blessings  
Cousin Ann*

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**Ann** - August 26, 2024 at 03:42 AM

KA

“ All the Robb cousins send their love to the MACs.

*Dennis and Steve were best buddies when our families would get together in Marine City, MI and when our mom's would take turns caring for Grandma Sevald.*

*Steve has many great stories to share. So much fun, so many monkeyshines, and plenty of high jinx. Never a dull moment when the Robbs and McLaughlins got together. Just lots of love and clowning around.*

*It's good that Dennis has his son, Robert, and his beautiful grands to carry on his happy and caring spirit.*

*Our hearts go out to all the McLaughlins, Dennis' family, and all who will miss him.*

*Cousin Kay*

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**Kay** - August 25, 2024 at 07:32 PM

CJ

“ So sorry for your families loss. God bless you and ease your sadness.

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**Clydette johnson** - August 25, 2024 at 01:21 PM

KC

“ Such a great friend over all these years. We had so many stories, some that cannot be told or mentioned, from our Southwestern Bell days. Dennis was also our daughter's Godfather. Rest in peace and will meet up with you later.

*Kent and Cindi Cushing*

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**Kent Cushing** - August 24, 2024 at 01:29 PM

BF

*Bill and family, I sorry for the loss of your brother. May the perpetual light shine upon him!*

**Bobby Freeman** - August 24, 2024 at 05:06 PM

DW

“ *Dennis was a great friend! Many good times and memories. He was very instrumental in helping me with my career at SWB. He will be greatly missed.*

**Don Willingham** - August 24, 2024 at 01:05 PM

KM

“ *Mary and family, We're so sorry to hear of Dennis' passing. Prayers for you and your family at this difficult time. Rest in Eternal Peace, Dennis.*

**Kathy & Don McCaffrey** - August 23, 2024 at 11:40 PM

MC

“ *May you rest in peace Dennis! My condolences to your family and friends!*

**Mary Jo Chavez** - August 23, 2024 at 10:05 PM

RC

“ *rest in peace*

**randy and mary Anderson clinton** - August 23, 2024 at 09:02 PM

CA

“ *Rest in peace Den. Sincere condolences to the extended family and treasured friends.*

*Recalling many cherished times with the MAC family, friends, 5300 NW 44th Court friends, Sante Fe Friday night gatherings at the VIP, float and ski trips, and general shenanigans.*

*I will always be thankful for our son, Robert Lawrence McLaughlin, who continues to live his life with the highest of standards, faith, and undeniable love of family and friends, an all-around great young man!*

*Raise one up there for all of those you left behind.*

*Love always,*

*Cathy and Brad*

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**Cathy** - August 23, 2024 at 08:29 PM

MM

“ *We first met Denny thru a friend but ran into him quite often at the Dugout. Such a nice guy. He will be missed. Alan and Melody Monthey*

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**Melody Monthey** - August 23, 2024 at 03:34 PM