



Lenny Meier, Jr.

March 25, 1950 - March 30, 2016

Leonard G. "Lenny" Meier, Jr., 66, passed away Wednesday, March 30, 2016, while out in the field planting sweet corn.

Lenny was the oldest son of Helen Marie Cromwell Meier and the late Leonard G. Meier, Sr. He was born in March 1950. He was a 1968 graduate of Hayden High School and graduated from Washburn University in 1981.

In 1972, Lenny and Sandy Turrentine were married and have enjoyed over 43 years together. He was the proud father of Lenny III and Steven. He was also the proud Grandpa of Addyson and Hadley Meier. Lenny loved his daughter-in-law, Misty Johnson Meier, even though he teased her all the time! His brothers, Rick (Renae), Ron (Ann), Jerry (Wendy) and Greg, all reside in Topeka, Kansas.

Lenny returned to farming in 1996 and was active in the Kansas Vegetable Growers Association. He was a member of Sacred Heart/St. Joseph Parish and a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council No. 2608 and the James W. Gibbons Fourth Degree Assembly. Lenny served our country in the US Army Reserve. He was a life-time member of the American Legion Post 400.

Lenny's family will greet friends from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, where a parish rosary will be prayed at 5:30 p.m. followed by

a Knights of Columbus Chalice Ceremony and rosary.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday at the Church. Burial with military honors will follow in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to American Legion Post 400 or to St. Joseph Church Restoration Project, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
227 SW Van Buren Street
Topeka, KS 66603

Rosary

APR 3. 5:30 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
227 SW Van Buren Street
Topeka, KS 66603

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Chalice Ceremony and Rosary

APR 3. 5:45 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
227 SW Van Buren Street
Topeka, KS 66603

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
227 SW Van Buren Street
Topeka, KS 66603

Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 01, 2016 at 03:46 PM



“ *Lenny Meier, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Sandy*
Please accept my sincere sympathy in the passing of Lenny. Take care & God Bless.
Bob Blecha Hays, Ks

Bob Blecha - April 05, 2016 at 08:52 AM



“ *Sandy and family,*

May your faith and fond memories shared by family and friends comfort you in your loss. We send our heartfelt sympathy.

Beverly and Leo Vogel.

Bev Vogel - April 03, 2016 at 01:01 PM

LT

“ Lenny was a great guy and fun to be around. I enjoyed speaking to his at his Vegatable Market. May He Rest in The Lord's Peace. He will be missed at the next 1968 Hayden Class Reunion. Laura Martinez Thackery

Laura Thackery - April 02, 2016 at 07:42 PM

CS

“ Sandy & Family, we are so sorry to hear about Lenny. You all are great people , know the Angels are with him now... I'm sure SR Corita is one of those Angels... Our love and prayers are with you always... God Bless.. 🌟🌸

Clark & Diana Sutphen - April 02, 2016 at 11:54 AM

GP

“ Sandy we are so sorry for the loss of Lenny. You and your family are in our thoughts prayers. We will be out of town and unable to attend the funeral but you will be in our thoughts. God Bless Gary andEthel

Gary Pettijohn - April 02, 2016 at 09:52 AM

SC

“ Lenny thank you for instilling the love of farming with Lauren. She learned a lot from you! Including words young girls shouldnt really say. We will take good care of Sandy for you. God speed

Susie Coleman - April 02, 2016 at 08:32 AM

NV

“ Sandy, Lenny III, Steven, Misty, Addyson, Hadley & Brothers,

I was devastated to hear about Lenny's passing. My 3 years I worked at Meier's Market, You & Sandy taught me so much about how everything was accomplished through hard work and working as one big family. I loved it. I can remember the time that Lenny put me on the forklift to lift it up so he could change light bulbs, I was so scared, I remember asking Lenny, "What if I drop you?" , Lenny said, "then I guess I would fall". He always believed in everyone that worked for him. He was always pulling pranks, like hiding when I came through the door, he would jump out and scare me, a rubber mouse he would hide in my popcorn, but most of all Lenny, I will miss my coffee drinking buddy. Thank You for letting me be a part of your life. Rest in peace Lenny. Love and miss you. My thoughts go out to all your family.

Norma Vink - April 02, 2016 at 02:32 AM

NV

“ Norma & Rich Vink lit a candle in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.



Norma & Rich Vink - April 02, 2016 at 02:07 AM

KV

“ Jerry, Greg, and Meier Family,
Deepest condolences on the loss of Lenny. May you find peace and comfort knowing you will all be reunited again.

-Kathy (Butler) Votaw

Kathy (Butler) Votaw - April 01, 2016 at 06:58 PM

KB

“ Sandy, Helen and the entire Meier family, I was so sorry to hear of Lenny's sudden passing. My heart goes out to all of you. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers. May God wrap His arms around you and give you comfort! RIP Lenny

Kathleen Browne

Kathleen Browne - April 01, 2016 at 04:57 PM

PP

“ On behalf of my family, our employees we wanted to let you know how much we are going to miss Lenny trips to our orchard to buy apples and peaches! Lenny's enthusiasm, good natured attitude and his love of his trucks there was never a dull moment when he was here! Just so you know we will miss him dearly and we will have him and his family in our thoughts and prayers. Paul Peters, Peters Orchards, Inc.

Paul Peters - April 01, 2016 at 02:14 PM

MM

“ Mark And Kathy Montague lit a candle in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.



Mark and Kathy Montague - April 01, 2016 at 11:57 AM

CF

“ Sandy, I was so sad to hear about Lenny. My thoughts and prayers are with you
Connie Foltz

Connie Foltz - April 01, 2016 at 11:56 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lenny Meier, Jr..*



April 01, 2016 at 11:56 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Meier family. One story I would like to share. One year my family was going to Wyoming to visit my brother and I wanted to take some fresh corn. The problem was, we were leaving on a Sunday and Lenny said well I don't work on Sunday, but this is what I will do. Lenny said: I will show you where my Sweet Corn field is and you can pick what you need before you head out on your trip. Lenny said : "now is that fresh enough for you" and I said that will do. What a great guy.*

Dennis and Kathy Switzky

Dennis Switzky - April 01, 2016 at 11:49 AM

AR

“ *Sandy and family,*

I was so saddened to hear of Lenny's sudden passing. Although I knew Lenny just a short time he left such an impression of a hard working, energetic, ornery, caring and dedicated man who will be truly missed. Sandy, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

God Bless You All.

Gary and Annette Rodecap



Annette Rodecap - April 01, 2016 at 10:28 AM

LC

“ *To Sandy and the entire Meier Family,*

This sudden loss of Lenny is such a shock and our hearts truly go out to you all. Even though we are unable to attend Sunday evening we will be with you in thought and prayer. May your faith and fond memories get you through these sad times.

Take care of yourself, be patient and remember to give yourself time to cope with all the changes and to readapt to a world now different.

God bless you all,

Rocky and Leina Cox

Leina Cox - April 01, 2016 at 09:27 AM

KI

“ Our thoughts and prayer go out to the family. My wife and I always enjoyed talking with him at the Great Plains Vegetable show each year in St. Joe, as we did this past January. We will miss that beautiful smile! He was so blessed to what he loved to do until the end. God now has him now and will be smiling down on us all! God bless Lenny's family! Ken and Donna Wagner and all the people at Stokes Seeds

Ken and Donna Wagner, Stokes Seeds Inc. - April 01, 2016 at 09:06 AM

KM

“ There was NO ONE on the planet like Lenny! He always had a smile, he was ornery, he was loving and he never forgot his friends. He was a big part of HHS Class of 68. We loved him, but we are certain that his dear Sandy was the best part of him. If she wasn't at a gathering we would all give him trouble - he always said such sweet things about her. Wherever Lenny is now I feel certain he is smiling and stirring up some mischief. God love ya Lenny!
Kathy & Dan McLaughlin

Kathy McLaughlin - April 01, 2016 at 08:39 AM

PB

“ Sandy, I am so sorry to hear about Lenny. He was so lucky to be able to go home doing what he loved to do. We had such fun "back in the day" as we were growing up. He will really be missed by all.



Patricia Birdzell - April 01, 2016 at 08:31 AM

BH

“ Sandy:

Lenny was a wonderful man. May God shine His perpetual light upon him and give you and your family consolation.

Bill Halvorsen, Elmdale, Kansas

Bill Halvorsen - April 01, 2016 at 07:43 AM

GT

“ *Sandy, Helen and the entire Meier family. We are so saddened by the passing of Lenny. May God comfort you all in your time of sorrow. RIP Lenny.*



Gerry/Debbie Tinsley - April 01, 2016 at 07:29 AM

GR

“ *GOD BLESS YOU.*

Greg and Barb Reser - April 01, 2016 at 07:10 AM

MC

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. Alexys so dearly loved her Uncle Lenny and talked so highly of him. He will be missed by many. Thinking of you all.*

Misty Carreno - April 01, 2016 at 06:22 AM

MC

“ *Misty Carreno lit a candle in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.*



Misty Carreno - April 01, 2016 at 06:20 AM

AT

“ *Alice King Thompson lit a candle in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.*



Alice King Thompson - April 01, 2016 at 05:22 AM

PD

“ *To Sandy and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. But may his love live on in your memories and bring you peace.*

Paula Downey - April 01, 2016 at 03:01 AM

RS

“ *To Sandy, Helen, and Lenny's children, grandchildren, and brothers, I am so sad to learn of Lenny's passing. He was one of Hayden's most faithful fans. We will miss him at court side and in the stands. Our prayers are with you all. God Bless,*

Rick Strecker - April 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ I first met Lenny many years ago when I responded to an ad about tomato cages for sale. I went to the farm to look at them. He offered to throw in some other small item, so I said "Sure." "Wait here," he said, and came whizzing back a moment later with a forklift and empty pallet. Before I could protest, he had showed me how to operate the forks, to lift him up to some second-story storage to get the thing! I was terrified of machinery, but couldn't figure out how to say "no" to a complete stranger who was willing to trust me with their life!

I visited with him quite a bit at a recent conference, and he actually remembered me. As he talked about the young folks whom he'd employed over the years, it was clear that he had a passion and a gift for working with people. I'm guessing a lot of folks over the years ended up doing things they never would have believed they could...because he believed in them.

Natalya Lowther - March 31, 2016 at 10:57 PM



“ Angela Beightel lit a candle in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.



Angela Beightel - March 31, 2016 at 10:09 PM

LM

“ Larry & Patty Meier lit a candle in memory of Lenny Meier, Jr.



Larry & Patty Meier - March 31, 2016 at 09:54 PM

TF

“ *The Hodges and Ramlow families. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lenny Meier, Jr..*



The Hodges and Ramlow families. - March 31, 2016 at 09:06 PM

BH

“ *Our hearts go out to the entire Meier family. Lenny was a special person who will always be remembered. We know your grief is tempered by the knowledge he is in Heaven with his beloved father.*

-Brad & Karen Hodges

Brad Hodges - March 31, 2016 at 08:45 PM

DW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Family . We got the pleasure of getting to know Lenny through Post 400 . Sorry for your loss. Lenny will be greatly missed.*

Dan & Betty Wentling - March 31, 2016 at 07:41 PM

TR

“ *I will miss, greatly, Lenny's friendliness and heart of gold. He never knew a stranger. May he rest in peace. Your cuz, Teresa R.*

Teresa Reeb - March 31, 2016 at 05:08 PM