



Roger K. Trumper

August 3, 1938 - June 9, 2026

Roger Keith Trumper was born on August 3, 1938, in Holyoke, Colorado, to George B. and Lois L. Boller Trumper and passed away on June 9, 2026 in Lincoln, NE. He grew up on a farm and attended elementary school in Holyoke and graduated from Phillips County High School in Holyoke with the class of 1956. Athletics was a big part of his high school experience, especially baseball and basketball, where he received the honor of being on the all-class and all-state basketball teams his senior year. He was a notable pitcher in the area.

He then attended Colorado A & M (now Colorado State University) in Ft. Collins, CO, where he earned a BS in Education and a Masters Degree in counseling. While at CSU, he played both basketball and baseball. He was a pitcher, was chosen co-captain of the baseball team, and was selected honorable Mention in the Skyline Conference. While working on his Masters Degree, he was given the opportunity to organize and coach a freshman baseball team at CSU.

Upon graduation, he taught and coached at Sidney, Nebraska for 4 years. In 1965, he became the head basketball coach, head track coach and assistant football coach at Geneva, NE, while serving as Guidance Counselor.

On August 7, 1966, he was united in marriage to JoAnn Weiss at the First

United Methodist Church in Geneva. Their 60th anniversary would have been this year. They were blessed with 3 daughters: Kerry (Brad) Conner of McCool Jct, Marcy (Tom) Woods of Lincoln, Lori (Jason) Voss of Seward.

During his years of counseling, he was honored to be selected on the advisory boards at the

University of Nebraska, Southeast Community College, and Lincoln School of Commerce. He was chosen the District #1 "Counselor of the Year" by the Nebraska Guidance and Personnel Association, and also chosen The ESU 6 "Counselor of the Year". After retiring from Geneva Public Schools in 1998, he served as part-time counselor at Osceola Public Schools, where he received the Cornerstone Bank "Above and Beyond the Call of Duty" award his 2nd year there. For 20 years, he collaborated with Doane College to teach a business/industries class, which was an especially gratifying part of his educational career.

Roger loved just about every sport.... After his retirement from coaching, he entered the field of football, basketball, and baseball officiating. He was sure he would be a great official since he had helped so many of them while coaching from the bench! He officiated district play-off games, the state tournament, as well as the high school all-star games.

Roger found a love for the game of table tennis. He traveled from Geneva to Lincoln weekly and gradually built his game to become competitive. He traveled to KS, IA, and CO for competitions, as well as competing in the Cornhusker State Games in which he earned a gold medal for many consecutive years.

Roger had a strong faith in God. He was an active life-long member of the Methodist Church, joining wherever he was living at the time, which he thoroughly enjoyed.

In 2012, Roger and JoAnn moved from Geneva to Lincoln. He was a loyal supporter of Husker athletics, and enjoyed golfing the city courses with new-found friends. Roger and JoAnn enjoyed going to movies and playing cards (Trim) with special friends JT and Karen Harris, which was a weekly highlight. Roger and JoAnn enjoyed their travels, especially a few trips to Italy and other European countries, and several trips to Hawaii. Cruising was another of his favorite travels. He also loved spending time in his native state of Colorado visiting the mountains.

Grandchildren became a very important part of Roger's retirement years. His 8 grandkids brought him years of pleasure, as he enjoyed attending their athletic events, dance recitals, and other activities.

He is survived by his wife JoAnn, his 3 daughters, and their spouses, his grandchildren Mayson (Jaela) Conner, Morgan (fiance Emily) Conner, Quin Woods, Cooper Woods, and Sadie Woods, and Marlie (Kelly) Vyhnaek, McKinley Voss, and Madden Voss. He is also survived by his brother, Robert (Karen) Trumper of Holyoke. CO, Brother-in-law Dr. James Weiss (Carol) of Omaha, Sister-in-law Suzanne Shaw of Lincoln and many nieces, nephews, friends and former students and athletes.

A Funeral Service for Roger was on Friday, June 12, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Lincoln, Nebraska. Pastor Art Phillips presided over the Funeral Service.

Recorded selections included "Unforgettable," "Fathers & Daughters," and "Home Where I Belong." Special music, "How Great Thou Art" was played on guitar by Maggie Fanton.

Pallbearers for the Funeral Service included Mayson Conner, Morgan Conner,

Quin Woods, Cooper Woods, Madden Voss, Kelly Vynhalek, and Dylan Stranathan. Honorary Pallbearers included Marlie Vynhalek, McKinley Voss, Sadie Woods, Jaela Conner, and Emily Druse.

A private Graveside Service was held in the Geneva Public Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Calvert Recreation Center or St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

Farmer & Son Funeral Home was in care of the arrangements and online condolences can be left at www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Geneva Public Cemetery

Geneva, NE 68361

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark's United Methodist Church
8550 Pioneers Boulevard
Lincoln, NE 68520

Funeral Service

JUN 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BK

“ Many years ago when I was just a 7th Grader at GHS I was starting to feel a little rebellious, as are a lot of kids that age, but I was a bit of a loner and starting to look up to older kids that were in the wrong crowd. Roger, our Guidance Counsler, pulled me aside one day and talked me into going out for football. That moment in time changed my life. I found a whole new better group of kids to hang around with and a whole new sense of worth, purpose and belonging. I was involved in and loved sports all through high school and what I remember and thank God for the most is that there are dedicated and great people like Roger that are there when our youth need a little help choosing right path that can affect the rest of their lives. God Bless you Roger Trumper.

Brad Krause - June 20 at 11:26 AM

JG

“ Jason george lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper



Jason george - June 16 at 04:32 AM

JB

“ I met Roger probably less than a year ago after I started playing ping pong with the group at Calvert Rec Center. In conversations, I heard a few good stories about athletics but one story that stood out more for me was when he was filling in as a guidance counselor after first retiring. A student was struggling with life, turned to alcohol and was absent from school. It sounded like Roger went out of his way to find the student and give them words of encouragement and hope. I sensed and appreciated his passion for helping the student and motivating them to not give up on doing better and having a good life. I appreciated his ready smile and simple way of being positive. For example, when I partnered with him in a ping pong match and we lost, he said "We got second." (a nice way to frame it). It was a blessing for me to get to know him. To the family, may God Bless you and heal you from this loss.

Jerry Bushnell - June 15 at 02:59 PM

SR

“ Sandi Renken lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper, with prayers to his family.



Sandi Renken - June 14 at 03:19 PM

BV

“ Our sincere condolences to JoAnn and Family. Roger will be missed by his St. Mark's Sonshiner Family. His smiles and life stories will be remembered and treasured. Our prayers for healing and comfort to his family.



Byron and Bette Vanier - June 14 at 02:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



June 13 at 06:10 AM



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

June 13 at 06:10 AM



“ So very sorry to hear the news. May Jesus hold you tight as you grieve and look forward to the blessed reunion in Heaven.

Mitch & Priscilla; Dan, Trista & Christina Klintworth

Priscilla Klintworth - June 13 at 01:49 AM



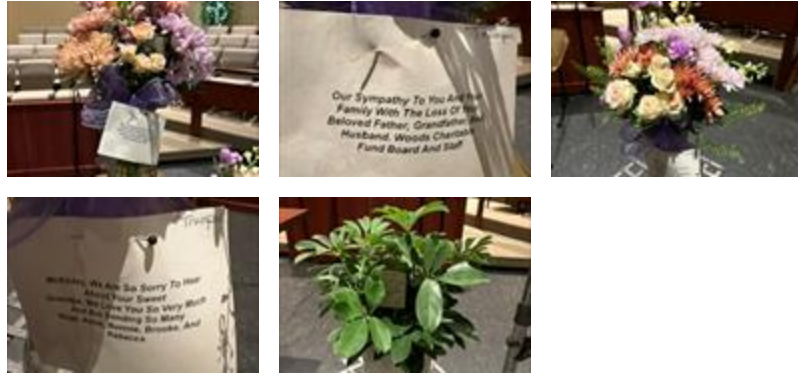
“ *Pat & Keith Mathiesen lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Pat & Keith Mathiesen - June 12 at 04:22 PM



“ 47 files added to the album Flower Pictures



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - June 12 at 03:50 PM



“ Gary D Heironymus lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper



Gary D Heironymus - June 12 at 11:30 AM



“ kurt hofferber lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper



kurt hofferber - June 12 at 10:55 AM

DS

“ *Deborah Salmon lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Deborah Salmon - June 11 at 08:15 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



June 11 at 01:22 PM



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

June 11 at 01:22 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



June 11 at 01:06 PM

HR

“ *Holly Rippe lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Holly Rippe - June 11 at 12:27 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



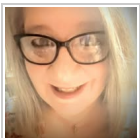
June 11 at 11:15 AM

V(

“ *So sorry to hear of Roger Trumper's passing 😞
I remember Mr Trumper when I was at Geneva High School. Our family were neighbor's of Roger's family in the Skylark division of Geneva. He always had a smile. Condolences to JoAnn and family.*



Virginia Carlson (Ellison) - June 11 at 10:50 AM



“ *Janine Uldrich lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Janine Uldrich - June 11 at 10:11 AM

KT

“ *Kent & Rose Theobald lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Kent & Rose Theobald - June 10 at 06:56 PM

MH

“ *So sorry for your loss. Please know you all are in our thoughts & prayers*



Mike and Lynne Houser - June 10 at 05:31 PM

TH

“ *Teresa Heilman lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Teresa Heilman - June 10 at 05:30 PM

SC

“ Roger was my high school counselor back in Geneva (many years ago)...When I was a senior, he advised me to apply for a scholarship at UNL. My parents had put down a deposit for me to go to a secretarial school but at graduation I was presented with the scholarship from UNL and I went on to study at teachers college UNL and became a business teacher. This man completely changed the trajectory of my life and my career and I will be forever grateful. May he rest in peace, and may all those who loved him fill the holes in their hearts with fond memories of the legacy that he created.

Sandi Hellbusch Campbell - June 10 at 05:28 PM

SE

My condolences to JoAnn and family. So long Coach, we travelled many miles together. Steve Evans, North Platte

Steve Evans - June 12 at 03:13 PM

DM

“ Delton Myers purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Roger K. Trumper.



Delton Myers - June 10 at 04:40 PM

KW

“ Sending love and prayers to all of you

Tim and Kathleen (McCarthy) Wilbeck

Kathleen Wilbeck - June 10 at 04:07 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



June 10 at 03:56 PM



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

June 10 at 03:56 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



June 10 at 03:16 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



June 10 at 03:10 PM

MH

“ Marty H. planted a grove of 10 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roger K. Trumper.

Marty H. - June 10 at 02:43 PM

VJ

“ Virginia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper



Virginia Johnson - June 10 at 01:59 PM

BS

“ Barbara Sadd lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper



Barbara Sadd - June 10 at 10:26 AM

RT

“ Will never forget golfing with Uncle Roger or playing bball in front room as a kid in the unis he gave us for Christmas. Will never forget his smile. Much love to the Nebraska Trumper. Regan

Regan Trumper - June 10 at 10:21 AM

CT

“ Let's be honest, Roger walked into some nice talent when he took over the coaching job my Sr year at GHS. His second stint as Geneva's HC I believe. But 'Trump' knew how to blend that talent. He'd often scrimmage with us at practice which was fun to watch! He was hard-nosed but still kept practices light and fun. Many times allowing all of us to try and dunk at the end of practice. He guided us to a 19-4 record and we sat at #2 in the State most of that year. (Stinking Sutton and their talented team). I'll forever be thankful he trusted me to run the middle fast break and our offense. After he moved to Lincoln he would often stop by the store to chat. Most times asking if we could sit outside on the bench to do so. He asked how my little Brother and Mom were doing every-single-time. Most of those visits ended with him giving me a hand written note challenging me to a FT contest at a local health club he belonged to and would provide me with his phone number when I was ready for the challenge. I think at one point he was shooting 100 FTs a day so I stood no chance. I'm regretful I never took him up on that challenge. Trump was also an avid ping pong player with a local group of friends his age. He also included invites for me to join them. Something else I regret not doing. I know Roger was very proud of his three Daughters and his Grandkids. Rest easy, Trump

Chad Turner - June 10 at 10:07 AM

SH

“ Roger has been a friend of our family for a long time. Although we have not seen him regularly, he has continued to be part of our thoughts. Our sympathy to you at his loss. Sandi Renken Hoffman

Sandra J Hoffman - June 10 at 09:37 AM

CR

“ Caleb Rippe lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper



Caleb Rippe - June 10 at 08:43 AM

JG

“ Jason George lit a candle in memory of Roger K. Trumper



Jason george - June 10 at 06:57 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roger K. Trumper.



June 10 at 12:27 AM



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

June 10 at 12:27 AM

RS

“ *Randy and Rhonda Schlick lit a candle in memory of Roger Trumper*



Randy and Rhonda Schlick - June 09 at 11:16 PM

LF

“ *Love Lisa Gutterman and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Roger K. Trumper.*



Love Lisa Gutterman and Family - June 09 at 10:46 PM