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Ed Koehler, 89, passed away on Monday, May 10, 2021 with his family by his side at the St Lukes Hospice House in Kansas City MO. Ed was born June 14, 1931 in Oakland, Nebraska, the son of William and Hannah (Carlberg) Koehler.

He graduated from Craig High School , and subsequently spent two years stationed in Germany with the US Army. Upon his return, he was united in marriage to Darlene L. Mallette at the Methodist Church in Craig, Nebraska on July 24, 1955. The couple spent time in Greeley, Colorado, and East Lansing Michigan, while Ed pursued a graduate degree in education, before settling in Pittsburg Kansas.

He became a beloved professor at Pittsburg State University, where he taught wood technology for thirty-one years.

He was active in the community, a member of the team that founded the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity, to which he donated many hours of skilled carpentry work and the lot for the first Habitat house built in Pittsburg.

Ed led a Boy Scout troop and volunteered as a reader for KRPS. He was a long-time member of the American Legion and Ducks Unlimited. In his retirement, he enjoyed polka dancing, hunting and fishing.

Those who knew him will remember him for his kind yet mischievous personality, his enthusiasm for nature and conservation, his talent for storytelling, and his great love of family and friends. He will be sorely missed.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Darlene, daughter, Dorothy (Steve) Compton of Lake Winnebago MO; three grandchildren; Anna Compton, Aaron (Caitie) Compton, and Dr. Will Koehler; and two great grandchildren, Eila and Wade Compton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son Bob Koehler, sister Glenyce Koehler, brother Jim (Mary) Koehler, and sister Virgene (Mel) Worth.

An informal visitation will be held at Bath-Naylor Funeral Home on Friday, May 14,



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2021 from 1-6 pm.

A private graveside service will be held at Highland Park Cemetery in Pittsburg, Kansas.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial gifts be made to Habitat for Humanity of Crawford County; these may be mailed to Bath-Naylor Funeral Home, 522 S. Broadway, Pittsburg KS 66762.

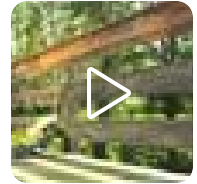


Tribute Wall

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May 14 at 5:07 AM



Joyce Ann Jennings posted:

I am sorry to hear of Ed's death Darlene. Thinking of you and your family as you grieve his death and celebrate his life. Joyce Jennings

May 14 at 10:24 AM



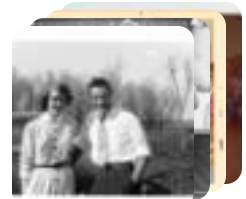
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May 14 at 8:01 AM



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May 13 at 12:25 PM



John Warren posted:

I attended PSU, Ed was my drivers ed instructor for my teaching certificate during the Summer of 1973. Over the years, I enjoyed getting to know him on the Campus. The one thing I remember is all the students in the Wood Technology class admire him for his teaching and mentoring skills. A true friend to anyone on Campus on nearby at his house. John Warren Class 74 PSU

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Leslie A Merrick posted:

Your Dad was my Dad away from Dad, while attending PSU! Your home was so warm and welcoming! I miss our hanging out as a family when I would come over on Friday nights. Peace be with your family Love to all! Leslie Powers Merrick

May 13 at 12:38 PM



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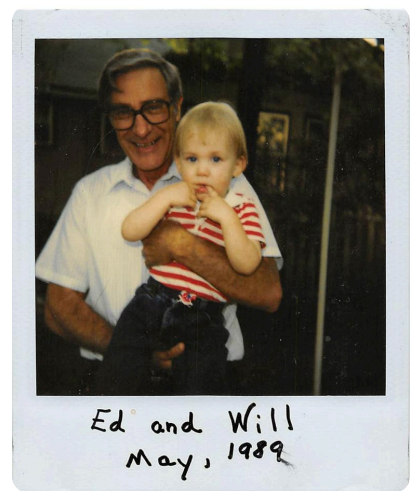




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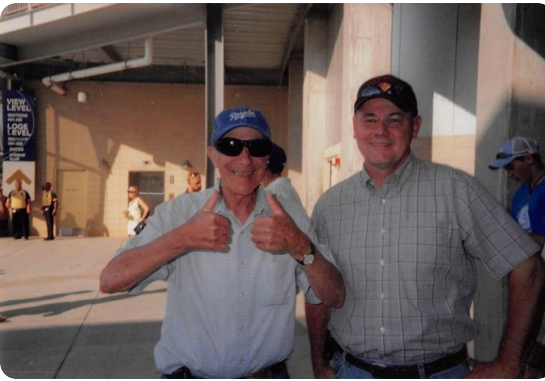
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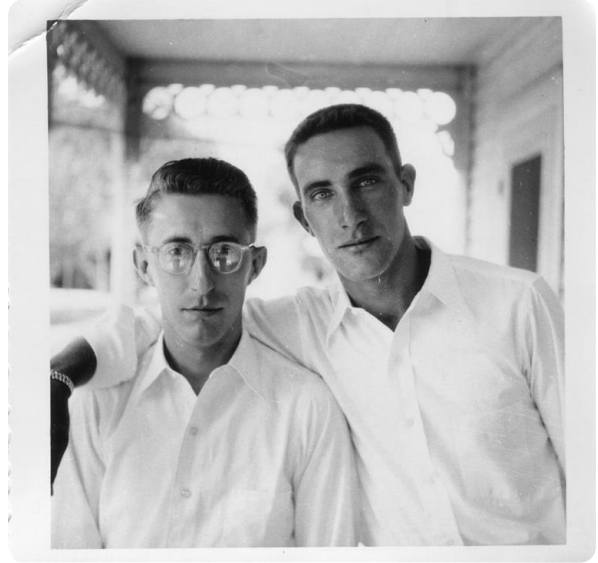
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