



## Tammy Koester

January 20, 1973 - August 21, 2022

Tammy Koester, age 49, of Des Moines, and formerly of Dedham, Iowa, died Sunday, August 21, 2022 at her home.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, August 26, 2022, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Dedham. The Celebrant will be Fr. Kevin Richter, assisted by Deacon Louis Meiners. Music will be by Cindy Bauer and the St. Joseph's Choir. Gift Bearers will be Lori Warner and Tracy Sturm. Casket Bearers will be Tammy's family and friends.

Visitation will be held at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, there will be a Christian Wake Service held at 6:30 p.m. The casket will be moved to St. Joseph's Church on Friday morning where visitation will resume from 9 – 9:45 a.m.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Tammy, the daughter of Leonard and Norma (Loeffelholz) Koester was born January 20, 1973 in Carroll, Iowa. She grew up in Dedham and graduated from Kuemper Catholic High School in 1991. During her high school years Tammy was employed at the Donna's Café. After high school Tammy enrolled at Drake University graduating with a degree in Business Administration. After

completing her education Tammy was employed with Principal Financial and later Sammons Financial both in Des Moines.

Tammy had a great sense of humor often playing mischievous pranks on anyone she knew. She also enjoyed crafts, sneaking drives in her brother's Blue Bonneville, and her many cats over the years. Tammy will be remembered for her friendship.

Survivors include her brothers: Ted Koester of Dedham, Jim "Grizz" (Jeanette) Koester of Altoona; niece and nephew: James (Angela) Koester of Kansas City, MO, Jennifer (Michael) Des Moines. Good friends: Lori Warner of Carroll, and Tracy Sturm of Carroll.

Tammy was preceded in death by her parents.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sharp Funeral Home ~ Carroll, Iowa  
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## Mass of the Christian Burial

AUG **26**. 10:00 AM.

St. Joseph'S Catholic Church

# Tribute Wall

AL

“ I just learned of Tammy's passing. I am so sad to learn this! She was an absolute delight to talk with and quite funny! My deepest sympathies to her close friends and family.

Anna Luck - January 18, 2024 at 08:16 PM

JG

“ Deepest sympathy to Tammy's family and close friends. I will never forget her kindness, sense of humor, and creativity. So sad I have not seen her for years. Hugs to you all. She'll never be forgotten.

Julie Thelen Gerdes - August 25, 2022 at 09:15 PM

NJ

“ i remember her from high school....creative writing class, art and designing the tshirt of our Kuemper boys basketball when we made it to state - class of 1991. sympathy to the family. Nanci

Nanci Rupiper Jewell - August 25, 2022 at 05:48 PM

SB

“ Tammy was an amazing woman. Although it's been years since we've seen each other, I have forever remembered her smile, her sense of humor and her beautiful art. Til we meet again dear friend.... My sympathy to those who loved her.

shari brasel - August 25, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Tammy Koester.



August 25, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ Bill Rohlf lit a candle in memory of Tammy Koester



Bill Rohlf - August 25, 2022 at 09:54 AM



“ Jim, Jeanette and family, Sorry to hear about your sister. I'm sure you will miss her greatly. Saying a prayer for you, Liz and Jerome Beckmann



Liz Beckmann - August 24, 2022 at 05:13 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tammy Koester.



August 24, 2022 at 04:19 PM

TS

“ *How I miss you my Best Friend for Life  
We will be BFFL In Heaven above just as we were all friends on  
Earth  
Just so many emotions going on but more than ever is the Fact that  
you will always be in our hearts and never forgotten  
Love you so much*



Tracy Sturm - August 23, 2022 at 09:58 PM

PE

*Jim and family, so sorry at your sister's passing. Love you and praying  
for you. Pat Enomoto*

Pat Enomoto - August 24, 2022 at 12:29 PM



“ *Ted and Jim...We are greatly saddened to  
learn of Tammy's untimely passing. Please  
accept our condolences. David & Mary  
Koester*



Mary Koester - August 23, 2022 at 04:04 PM

BI

“ *Brad And Carrie Irlbeck lit a candle in memory  
of Tammy Koester*



Brad and Carrie Irlbeck - August 23, 2022 at 03:46 PM

LT

“ *Lisa Trammel lit a candle in memory of Tammy Koester*



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**Lisa Trammel** - August 23, 2022 at 03:39 PM

JC

“ *Janell Cross lit a candle in memory of Tammy Koester*



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**Janell Cross** - August 22, 2022 at 05:54 PM

SM

“ *Dear Koester family, It saddens me to hear this horrible news. My heart breaks with you all. She was more than a friend, but a sister. She will be remembered for her huge heart and kindness. Many precious memories of Tammy, Lori and Tracy, the Three Muskateers. She will be missed. I send my condolences to you all from Florida.*  
*Scott Meiners*

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**Scott Meiners** - August 22, 2022 at 05:00 PM

MS

“ *Mike Saffris lit a candle in memory of Tammy Koester*



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**Mike Saffris** - August 22, 2022 at 02:25 PM

DW

“ Dale And Lori Willenborg lit a candle in memory of Tammy Koester



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**Dale and Lori Willenborg** - August 22, 2022 at 01:35 PM

R(

“ Renee Heuton (Wiederin) lit a candle in memory of Tammy Koester



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**Renee Heuton (Wiederin)** - August 22, 2022 at 11:36 AM