



# Allen Davis Collins

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## In Memory of Allen Collins

Allen was a versatile and multifaceted individual, bid farewell to this world at the age of 63, on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at Centerville Specialty Care in Centerville.

His life was a testament to versatility and adaptability. Allen was born on May 9, 1961, with an insatiable curiosity and an innate talent for learning, he pursued numerous skills throughout his lifetime, from carpentry to cooking, gardening to auto mechanic and jeweler.

He had a troubled upbringing, and at the young age of 15, he moved in with J.P. Collins. On January 6, 1984 at the age of 22, Allen was adopted by James Patrick Collins, who helped him throughout his life with any struggles that occurred.

A true "Jack of All Trades", Allen had a passion for exploration and learning new skills that knew no bounds. Traveling was his greatest joy, and he delighted in experiencing new cultures, cuisines, and landscapes across the globe.

His adventurous spirit led him on countless escapades, from hiking in the mountains, to the waters off the coast of Florida. Allen leaves behind a legacy of curiosity, creativity, and a relentless thirst for knowledge.

His love for exploration and his ability to master any challenge he faced will be remembered by all who knew him. Rest in peace, dear friend. Your adventurous soul will live on in our memories forever.

Left to honor Allen's memory are his children, Nate (Tina) Collins, David (Jade) Korthuis, and Alex Collins (Vana); his grandchildren, Tabbie Long, William Collins and Wyatt Korthuis; his adopted brother, Murphy (Carrie) Cannon; his siblings, Eugene Orbeck, Diane Coiley, Marlene (Earl) Lahr, Gerald (Helen) Orbeck, Ron (Lori) Orbeck, Virgil (Tina) Orbeck, and Darin (Michelle) Orbeck; and his sisters-in-law, Gayla Orbeck, Dawn Orbeck and Jean Orbeck.



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Allen was preceded in death by his father, James Patrick Collins; his grandchildren, Anita and Patrick Collins; his birth parents, John and Anita Orbeck; his sister, Joyce; and his brothers, DuWayne and Ralph Orbeck.

Per wishes, cremation has taken place. At this time, there are no services scheduled. Memorials may be made to The Family of Allen Collins, to be determined at a later date, and may be mailed to Thomas Funeral Home, ATTN: Collins Family, 501 North 18th Street, Centerville, Iowa 52544.

Condolences may be shared online at [www.thomasfh.com](http://www.thomasfh.com) or [www.facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome](http://www.facebook.com/thomasfuneralhome).



## Tribute Wall

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LB

**Lori Boland** posted:

Thinking of you and sending love and prayers

May 16 at 7:00 PM

PH

**Patricia Huebner** posted:

Prayers to David and Nate

May 15 at 7:00 PM

TJ

**Teri Jack** lit a candle in honor of Allen.



May 15 at 7:00 PM

CW

**Cheryl Watts** posted:

So sorry for your loss

May 13 at 7:00 PM

MM

**Miranda Mcclure** posted:

So sorry for your loss ♡

May 13 at 7:00 PM

CF

**Connie Kaster-Foster** posted:

Sorry for the family's loss.

May 13 at 7:00 PM

VB

**Vicki Butler** posted:

Nate and family, so sorry for your loss. Prayers.

May 13 at 7:00 PM



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KK

**Kris Koestner** posted:

Big Al was a good guy, had him for dinner at my home for every holiday. Versatile would be an understatement. He could do anything. RIP friend, you earned it the hard way.

May 12 at 7:00 PM

SN

**Sandy Nab** posted:

Sending prayers for the family and friends

May 12 at 7:00 PM

JC

**Jamie Chester** posted:

So sorry for the families loss.

May 12 at 7:00 PM

KC

**Karee Cochran** posted:

R.I. P. AL!! SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS!!

May 12 at 7:00 PM

PS

**Penny Sharp** posted:

I'm so sorry.

May 12 at 7:00 PM

JB

**Jenel Allen Barth** posted:

I'm so sorry

May 12 at 7:00 PM

KK

**Kris Koestner** posted:

Al, his friends Joy Powers and Kathy Thomas enjoyed his friendship having a get-together on the J&K

May 12 at 7:00 PM



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AC

**A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Allen Davis Collins** posted:

We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Thomas - Centerville

May 12 at 7:00 PM

KK

**Kris Koestner** posted:

Allen Collins and Kathy Thomas attending a concert at Bridgeview Ottumwa this winter.

May 12 at 7:00 PM

KK

**Kris Koestner** posted:

Taking Allen Collins and Kathy Thomas for a ride and ice cream around Rathbun Lake this Spring. Always had good entertaining conversations with Al who was an extremely smart guy. He knew something about everything.

May 12 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Allen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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