



# Robert P. Kleinsmith

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**R**obert P. Kleinsmith, age 57, of Leesburg passed away on Monday, July 27, 2015. He was born December 6, 1957 in Detroit, MI and moved to Florida in 2004. He was an Operations Manager with Kevco Building and Pringle Home Building Group. He loved boating and riding his motorcycle. He is survived by his wife, Debi Kleinsmith of Leesburg, FL; mother, Mary Lou Breslin of Pompano Beach, FL; sons, Dana Mitchell of Lansing, MI, Garrett Kleinsmith and Brian Kleinsmith both of SD, daughters, Lona Elsea of St. Johns, MI, Riki Mitchell of Leesburg, FL ; brother, Brian Kleinsmith of Winter Garden, FL; sisters, Karen Kleinsmith Vincent of Apollo Beach, FL, Carol Grannis of MN; several grandchildren and 1 great-granddaughter; and lots of friends and work colleagues. The family will receive friends on Friday, July 31, 2015 from 4:00PM until 7:00PM at Steverson Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Home, Tavares. Arrangements have been entrusted to Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals and Cremations, 226 E. Burleigh Blvd., Tavares, FL 32778, (352)343-4444. Online condolences may be left on the Tribute Wall.



# Events


**Robert P. Kleinsmith**

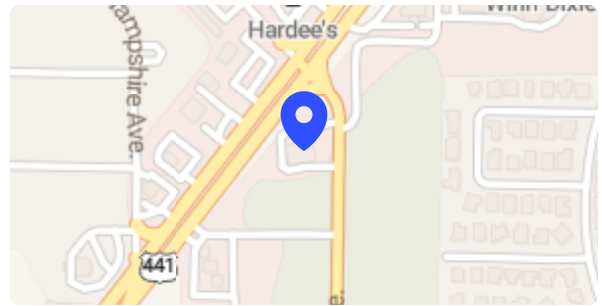
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## Visitation

 **Friday**, July 31, 2015

 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

 **Steverson - Hamlin & Hilbish Funeral Home**  
226 E. Burleigh Boulevard, Tavares FL 32778





## Tribute Wall

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DM

**Dana Mitchell** posted:

Rob, You were a smart man, and a great friend. To me, you were a great DAD! You taught me a lot about respect, being true to yourself, and a strong work ethic. You were there to step up to me in my struggles when no one else would. You were there for all the tough love you could possibly hand out. You helped form the person that I am, and still trying to be! I cannot express how much you will be missed by everyone who knew you! You've left a deep impression on everyone around you, some so deep it's become OCD. I love you and will miss you more than you know!

August 3 at 7:52 PM

MC

**Mzk@Brightsideservicesinc.Com** posted:

Rest in peace. Good man, through and through. Prayers to Rob's family, with love.

August 2 at 9:28 AM

MD

**Mike & Virginia Damsell** lit a candle in honor of Robert.



July 31 at 12:42 PM

MD

**Mike And Virginia Damsell** July 31 at 12:59 PM

Rob was a true professional. He helped us during and after the build of our home in Lakes of Mount Dora. We will remember him as the great guy that he was and as a friend. Our deepest condolences go out to his wife and to the rest of his family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

TS

**Teresa Stienstra** posted:

RIP Rob we feel lost without you. It won't be the same not seeing you and your truck in Lakes of Mt Dora and Kevco. Rest well my friend. Heart felt sympathy for Debi & Family, Teresa Stienstra

July 31 at 11:10 AM



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MJ

**Marianne Joslyn** posted:

Dear friend today is the day you will be laid to rest but you know what they say, God only takes the best. Everything happens for a reason even if we may not agree; Just promise to look after us and if you can, save us a spot for me. The thought of never seeing you again brings tears to my eyes and even more so because all of this was such a surprise but we should never question what God has planned - sometimes it's not meant for us to understand. So as we sit here and mourn the loss of a beloved friend we have to keep telling ourselves that we will meet again ..... I did not write this poem, but I loved it so much I hope it helps us all we all loved Rob very much

July 31 at 7:40 AM

TJ

**Timothy Joslyn** posted:

Rob YOU WERE MY ONE AND ONLY BEST FRIEND !!! I'll miss you ..... Love you Tim joslyn

July 31 at 2:09 AM

RM

**Ray And Sherry Menzel** posted:

We have great respect for this man who became our friend as he helped us build our house here in Lakes of Mount Dora. He was always responsive to our requests and he made certain that things which needed to be fixed, were done right and to our satisfaction. Rob was a true professional. We took great comfort knowing that if we needed help, he was there for us. Thank you Rob for all the help and support you gave us. Ray and Sherry Menzel

July 30 at 3:37 PM

GE

**Greg Eggleton** posted:

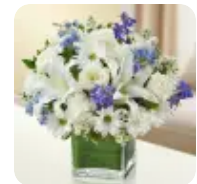
I've worked for rob since 2004 and he was by far the best builder around. Rip my friend. Greg Eggleton Gse Drywall Co.

July 30 at 12:57 PM

CS

**Calvin/Joyce Mchenry, Ken/Mary Ann Long, Til/Sandymoyer** sent a Healing Tears - Blue and White to the Kleinsmith family.

July 30 at 7:16 AM





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BA

**Beth And Ivan Ashley** lit a candle in honor of Robert.



July 30 at 5:44 AM

BA

**Beth And Ivan Ashley** July 30 at 6:06 AM

It has been such a pleasure to have known you Rob over the past four years. You did so much for us during and after building our home, always so kind and friendly. We will really miss seeing your shining face in the neighborhood. Our hearts and prayers are with you and your family.

DH

**David And Donna Heisd** posted:

Rob was a very good man. He became a friend while building our house in Lakes of Mount Dora. We will miss see that red truck around our community. RIP Friend

July 30 at 5:44 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Floor Plant for Sympathy to the Kleinsmith family.



July 30 at 4:51 AM

RP

**Robin Pettingill** lit a candle in honor of Robert.



July 29 at 4:28 PM

MH

**Matt Hancock** lit a candle in honor of Robert.



July 29 at 3:59 PM



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AC

**Alan Chaffee** posted:

I only had a chance to know Rob for a little over 2 years. In that short time (which he was my boss at American Mechanical Insulation in Lansing MI.) I learned a lot from him. Mostly what a great guy he was and probably the best boss i ever had. He really knew how to make his employees feel like they mattered. The second year he was there our branch out sold the company's main branch in sale by quite a bit and he threw one of the greatest company partys iv'e ever been to. Rob will be missed by a lot of people, i for one feel i am a better person for knowing him. THANKS BOSS!! thoughts and many prayers to the family

July 29 at 11:42 AM

RL

**Robert L.** sent a Red, White & Blue Sympathy Basket to the Kleinsmith family.



July 29 at 11:22 AM



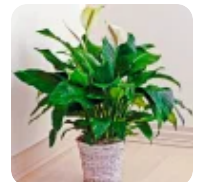
**Anonymous** sent a Plants-A-Plenty to the Kleinsmith family.



July 29 at 10:12 AM

FI

**From Everyone At Aluminum Contractors, Inc.** sent a Floor Plant for Sympathy to the Kleinsmith family.



July 29 at 7:06 AM

CM

**Calvin & Joyce Mchenry** lit a candle in honor of Robert.



July 29 at 6:49 AM



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GB

**Gary Berg** posted:

Will reiterate what Steven A. Powell said. Rob was definitely someone that you stepped your game up and went the extra mile for. A great friend and a hell of a builder!! RPK you will be sorely missed and always respected and remembered by many!

July 28 at 5:05 PM

AM

**Ann Mumford** posted:

Keep wearing those 'shades' Rob, you are gonna need them where the sun always shines! Thanks for all the help you gave us. We will miss seeing you driving around the community in your red truck. Our love and sympathy to those you have left behind. Ann and Pete Mumford

July 28 at 11:25 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sincerest Sorrow - Blue and White to the Kleinsmith family.



July 28 at 8:45 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Cherished Memories - All White to the Kleinsmith family.



July 28 at 7:55 AM

SG

**Susan Graves** posted:

Sending our love and sympathy to the family. It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with Rob over the years. He was one of my favorite guys, always so respectful and easy to work with. he will be missed by many. May the Lord Bless you and Keep you my friend.

July 28 at 4:44 AM



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**Steven A. Powell** posted:

Rob and I have been on a few rides together, I enjoyed his company and there was zero B.S. when he spoke. I enjoyed working with him at Pringle and he made working there a joy because any job that he had, he would let you know when it was ready and allow you not to waste your time. He was the builder I never let down, even if he got into a bind. I made sure HIS work was done! Very sad to here this. I have been out of the business for 9 years, he is still in my phone and always will be .

July 27 at 7:52 PM



**Anonymous** sent a White Sympathy Floor Basket to the Kleinsmith family.



July 27 at 5:45 PM



**Riki Mitchell** posted:

Rob I just dont understand one minute your here the next your gone. You will be truly missed, you already are. You've already affected so many people by your passing. Everybody is going to miss you and how you were the life of the party or how you always had a smart come back for something somebody said. I have lots of memories with you and I wish you were here to make a lot more, but today you were gods choosen one, and he choose one of the best I wish he wouldnt have needed you so soon. I love you Rob and you will FOREVER be MISSED!!!!!!

July 27 at 1:50 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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