

Introduction for Ron “Gus” Gustafson

Ron “Gus” Gustafson’s remarkable life story proves that optimism and determination can overcome personal and professional challenges.

Gus was raised on a farm near Lyons, Ne. He was a stand out basketball player in high school and followed his dream to play college basketball. Gus walked on at Kearney State College to play basketball where knee injuries ended his athletic career. Gus was devastated. But, once again, his faith and courage sustained him and he redirected his energies, building outstanding academic and business careers.

The Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame has created the ‘*Ron Gustafson Inspiration Award*’ in his honor. Gus was the first recipient of this honor in 1996. Family Service of Nebraska recognized Gus and his beautiful wife, Julie, and their three children Isaac, Josiah and Hannah with the *1999-Committed Family Award*.

He is the author of “**Fully Armed**”, a book about his life, his family and his passion for people!

Please join me in welcoming Ron ‘Gus’ Gustafson.