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Longtime Hiawatha teacher dies

**(KNZA)--A longtime Hiawatha teacher has died.**

**Chris Vitt was 59-years-old when he died Wednesday after, what his obituary calls, “a courageous battle with cancer.”**

**According to the obituary, from the Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, in Hiawatha, Vitt was surrounded by his family at the time of his death at the Hiawatha Community Hospital.**

**Vitt taught biology at Hiawatha High School for 35-years, retiring in 2016.**

**Earlier this month, it was announced that Vitt would be inducted into the Kansas Teachers’ Hall of Fame, in June, in Dodge City.**

**Among his survivors are his wife, Michelle, his sons, Jeremy and Ryan, and his parents, Barbara and Gregg Vitt.**

**A celebration of life service is planned for the afternoon of Saturday, May 8, at the Hiawatha Memorial Auditorium, beginning at 1:30.**

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