



Eugene Pletcher

October 6, 1929 - August 21, 2020

Eugene Pletcher, 90 of Grand Island went to his Heavenly home on Friday, August 21, 2020 at Tiffany Square.

Services will be 10:30 AM Wednesday at All Faiths Funeral Home. Daniel Naranjo will officiate. Livestreaming of the service will be available on All Faiths Funeral Home Facebook page.

Burial will be at 1 PM Wednesday in the North Loup Hillside Cemetery. Military honors will be rendered by the American Legion and U.S. Air Force.

Visitation will be from 5-7 PM Tuesday at the funeral home. CDC guidelines will be followed with face coverings required during both visitation hours and service. Memorials are suggested to the family with designations at a later date.

Gene was born on October 6, 1929 at Bartlett, NE the son of Edwin and Bernice (Huff) Pletcher. He graduated from Bartlett High School class of 1946. He learned to fly planes at age 16. During "Operation Snow Bound" of the 1948-49 blizzard, Gene dropped supplies to farm families.

From September 1950 to February 1954, Gene served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. On June 4, 1963 he was united in marriage to Ilene (Bishop) Martin. They lived in North Loup before moving to Grand Island in 1989. Gene was a crop-duster and also farmed. He owned and operated Pletcher Flying Service. His license plate read, "Iflylo".

He was a member of the American Legion and VFW of Ord. He was a proud member of Alcoholics Anonymous for many years. Gene was a people

person, loved Baskin Robbins ice cream and spending time with friends. Those left to cherish his memory include his daughter, Kim (Mark) Koch of Genoa; step children, Lauren (Duke) Stevens and Randy Martin of Grand Island; grandchildren, Kalin Koch, Kirstie Koch; step grandchildren, Tracey Ostwald, Sherri Kolar, Jamie Martin and Rhett Martin; his special friend, Elaine DeHarde and his cat, Molly.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Ilene; daughter, Kelly; sisters, Maz Morisch, Ada Atkinson and Leatha Taylor and brother, Henry Pletcher. Online condolences may be sent to www.giallfaiths.com

Cemetery Details

Hillside Cemetery at North Loup

North Loup, NE

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

AUG **26**. 10:30 AM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ Eugene Pletcher

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ Gene and his entire family were dear friends of Lynn and I and our families for years. Somewhere I have pictures that he sent me when he was in the service as we wrote back and forth during the time he was gone. It seems like such a short time ago!! I will find them and send them to you Kim. You may have copies of them already but will send them anyway, in case you do not. Our deepest sympathy to all his family. Rest in peace Gene. I have many good memories of Gene and he will be forever in our hearts. Our thoughts & prayers are with you ! We share your grief at his leaving. Lynn and Lila May (Ritchey) Briggs.

Lila M. Briggs - August 27, 2020 at 02:31 PM



“ When Terry and I were little kids our Uncle Gene would fly over and tip his air plane wing to say hello. Sometimes when he had time he would land in Grandpa's field and take us for a ride in his plane. We loved that so much!

He was the sweetest, kindest, & funniest man I've ever known. I will miss him so much. Sandi

Sandi Tieri - August 26, 2020 at 10:38 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. You and your families are in our thought and prayers. Carol and Jerry Urbanski

Carol Urbanski - August 26, 2020 at 08:34 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eugene Pletcher.*



August 25, 2020 at 08:08 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Eugene Pletcher.*



August 24, 2020 at 08:47 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Eugene Pletcher.*



August 24, 2020 at 08:12 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eugene Pletcher.*



August 24, 2020 at 08:08 PM

KP

“ We won't be able to make the funeral. RIP Gene and hopefully with are with Grandma Ada again. Kirt Pelster

Kirt Matthew Pelster - August 24, 2020 at 07:23 PM

SA

“ Steve, Diann and Jayden Arehart purchased the Love Everlasting Bouquet for the family of Eugene Pletcher.



Steve, Diann and Jayden Arehart - August 24, 2020 at 02:27 PM

MC

“ Gene was such a fun cousin. He was one of 31 Huff Cousins and he was definitely a favorite of all. He would fly down to Weeping Water to see his Grandmother Huff and always circled about the house so she could see his arrival. I was delegated to drive out to the airport to bring him in to town. I will not be able to attend the memorial but will think of him on Wednesday and will know that he is flying high this time.
Sincere Sympathy to his family.
Marlene Noble Roberts

Marlene Roberts/JHuff Cousin - August 24, 2020 at 12:44 PM