



G. Wayne Rieke

July 28, 1934 - October 20, 2017

G. Wayne Rieke, 83, of Grand Island passed away at his home surrounded by his family on Friday, October 20, 2017.

Celebration of Life services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the 1st Presbyterian Church. Rev. Carolyn Price-Gibson will officiate. Private family burial will take place at a later date.

Gathering of friends and family will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at All Faiths Funeral Home on Tuesday.

Wayne was born on July 28, 1934 in Union, NE, son of George H. and Leora Mae (Farris) Rieke.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 60 years, JoNon of Grand Island; sons, Rodrick (Kim Sealy) Rieke of Grand Island, and Lynn (Cheryl Spankic) Rieke of Grand Island; brother, Gary (Linda) Rieke of Lincoln; sister, Phyllis (Darrel) Kreglo of Phoenix, AZ; three grandchildren, Nicole (Trevor) Franklin, Justin (Jenny) Rieke, and Alexandra Rieke; great-grandchildren, Alva, Drake, Hendricks and Taylor; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Lowell Rieke; and

infant sister, Ellen Rieke.

Wayne was raised near Union, NE and graduated from Plattsmouth High School in 1951. Following graduation, he continued his education and attended UNL. On February 4, 1957, Wayne was called from Reserve Duty and was actively enlisted in the U.S. Army until his honorable discharge on February 3, 1959. He served in the United States Army Reserves prior to his enlistment and also after his active duty.

On November 18, 1956 he was united in marriage to JoNon D. Albin at the 1st Presbyterian Church in Plattsmouth. The couple made their home in Plattsmouth where Wayne was employed by International Harvester following his time in the service.

For 21 years Wayne was employed by Wheeler Farm Stores as their Area Manager, Warehouse and Trucking Division Manager as well. Wayne's employment with Wheeler Farm Stores lead the family across Nebraska, where Wayne managed stores in North Platte, Broken Bow, Grand Island, and McCook. He then went on to open several stores in South Carolina and Georgia. Wayne then spent the next 16 years employed as a buyer for Gebo's Store in Texas. Following his retirement in 2000, Wayne came back to Grand Island and was employed part time for Dinsdale Automotive.

While living in Grand Island, Wayne was a member of the 1st Presbyterian Church, Platt Duetsch, and Saddle Club. Wayne was also an Elder in the 1st Presbyterian Church in Plainview, TX.

In his younger years, Wayne enjoyed pitching softball on teams in Broken Bow, Grand Island and McCook. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing, but most recently found golf the most relaxing. He was a devoted Husker fan and enjoyed watching most sports.

Memorials are designated to 1st Presbyterian Church or The American Heart Association.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

OCT **24.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
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Grand Island, NE 68801
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Celebration of Life Service

OCT **25.** 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church

Tribute Wall



“ G. Wayne Rieke

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *My sympathy and prayers to Janon and family. Many happy years knowing you and Wayne in all the early Wheeler years. What fun times we all had then when our hearts and children were very young. So wonderful that you all shared so many happy years together. Will be thinking of all of you and keeping you in my prayers.*

Sharon Lovell Gergen - October 24, 2017 at 11:08 PM



“ *Rod---My Deepest Sympathy to you & your family on the loss of your father. He was a great man an will be missed by many. You are in my prayers . Take care Love Laverna*

Laverna Petzoldt - October 24, 2017 at 06:24 PM



“ *" JoNon and Family" Thinking of you during this difficult time. Our prayers are with you. Sam and Cherryl Welty.*

Sam Welty - October 24, 2017 at 12:37 PM



“ *JoNon, My prayers are with you at this time. Much love, friend.*
Phyllis Wall

Phyllis Wall - October 24, 2017 at 09:25 AM



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All Faiths Funeral Home - October 24, 2017 at 08:45 AM

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“ *The Wheelers- Buzz, Byron and Debbie purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of G. Wayne Rieke.*



The Wheelers- Buzz, Byron and Debbie - October 23, 2017 at 05:40 PM