



## Leonard F. Buhrman

April 9, 1928 - June 22, 2017

Leonard F. Buhrman, 89, of Grand Island passed away on Thursday, June 22, 2017 at Wedgewood Care Center in Grand Island.

Celebration of Life Gathering will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday at All Faiths Funeral Home in Grand Island. Christian Wake service will be held at 7 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. Celebrating Mass will be Father Donald Buhrman and concelebrant Father Marty Egging. Interment will be at 2:00 p.m. at Ft. McPherson National Cemetery, military honors will be rendered by North Platte Honor Guard and U.S. Army Honor Guard.

Leonard was born on April 9, 1928 in Grand Island, youngest son of Louis and Augusta (Schwenck) Buhrman.

Leonard is survived by his children, Kathy Buhrman of Aurora, CO, Connie (Bill) Niles of Hastings, Patty (Don) McBride of Grand Island, Richard (Vickie) Buhrman of Gretna, and Bill (Lisa) Buhrman of Council Bluffs, IA; 14 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and lifelong friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary; two daughters, Jean Ann Buhrman and Jeannette Murrain; and brother, Bob Buhrman.

Leonard was raised in Greeley, NE where he graduated from Sacred Heart Catholic High School. Although he earned a Regent Scholarship, Leonard enlisted instead in the U.S. Army on January 8, 1951. He served in Korea

having earned a Bronze Star. He was honorably discharged from the Army on August 9, 1962, but continued for 20 years in the Army Reserves.

On September 21, 1950, he was united in marriage to Mary Leonard at St. Mary's Cathedral. The couple made their home in Grand Island where Leonard was employed as a conductor engineer for Union Pacific Railroad and in his free time, also a master plumber. Leonard and Mary were blessed with daughters, Kathy, Connie, Jean Ann, Jeannette, and Patty and sons, Richard and Bill. In 1973, Leonard was transferred to North Platte, where he continued as a conductor for U.P.R.R. and owned and operated Buhrman Plumbing in North Platte and Grand Island.

After 51 years of service for Union Pacific Rail Road he was finally convinced to retire. Not one to be idle, he filled his days with keeping up with all of his grandchildren and extended family as well as his longtime friends, and his faith. Leonard was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Moose Lodge and Elks Lodge, and American Legion. He had a wonderful memory and enjoyed playing cards. He was an expert at crossword puzzles and was an avid reader of western novels. Leonard was very personable and always made the effort to stay in touch with his friends and family.

In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to Grand Island Central Catholic High School.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. McPherson**

Maxwell, NE

# Previous Events

## **Visitation**

JUN **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
2929 S Locust St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
(308) 398-2929  
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<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ Leonard F. Buhrman

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October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ Dear Buhrman Family,

*I was on vacation when I learned of your dear, sweet dad's passing. It saddens me that he will no longer be among us and I'm sure it saddens you too. My heart goes out to you all. Leonard was such a pleasant man to work with and such a character. I loved helping him send his reverse birthday gifts to you. I couldn't wait to hear what poem he came up with to send in the letter or the message he was trying to send to you through them. He was very clever, creative and concerned for each of you. It brought him joy to be able to bless you like he did. He always seemed a very compassionate dad to me. Jenny and I would talk about how blessed she felt to have him for a dad and to be able to hang out with him. She would tell me about keeping tabs on him and her visits. She can now welcome him into heaven with your Mom. Stay close to each other.*

*My condolences, Sandy Rossmiller*

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**Sandy** - July 05, 2017 at 04:42 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the Buhrman family. It was a pleasure working with you over the past year. I know it was your goal for Leonard to join the Primrose Retirement family and I appreciate that very much. Unfortunately there were other plans due to his declining health.*

*May the blessings of God's love and grace fill you with comfort and peace.*

*God bless you all,*

*Lisa Simonds*

*Primrose Retirement Community*

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**Lisa Simonds** - June 27, 2017 at 11:10 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leonard F. Buhrman.*



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June 26, 2017 at 01:34 PM