



Merlin N. Yosten

December 6, 1939 - April 13, 2016

Merlin N. Yosten, 76 of Grand Island died on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at Tiffany Square.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. Fr. Todd Philipsen will be the Celebrant. Burial will follow at Grand Island City Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday with a 7 p.m. Rosary at Blessed Sacrament.

All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Delores; children, Brian (Tracy) Yosten of Cedar Rapids, Ne., Bruce (Pam) Yosten of Plainview, NE, Col. Bernard (Kathy) Yosten of Auburn, AL., Janice Schmidt Yosten of Council Bluffs, IA, Joyce Edwards of Quinlan, TX; eleven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; brother, Keith (Cathy) Yosten of Cheyenne, WY.; sisters, Rita Richtig of Schuyler, NE., Jane (Denny) Podany of Columbus, NE., Mary Clarke of Ankeny, IA, Sharon (Frank) Neal of Bellvue, Co., Dianne (Steve) Hoenk of Columbus, NE., Carol (John) Brown of Lincoln, NE., and Sandy (Steve) Abbott of Marquette, NE.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John Paul and Clara Yosten, brothers, Joseph and John "Jack" and brothers-in-law, Leonard Richtig and DeWayne Clarke.

Merlin Nicolas Yosten was born December 6, 1939 in Beemer, NE to John Paul and Clara (Glodowski) Yosten. He received his grade school education

from District 21; graduated from Clarkson High School in 1958. He was employed by Behlen Manufacturing Co. after graduation for a year and a half. Merlin married Delores Marie Reznicek at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church in Dodge, NE on December 29, 1959. Five Children were born to this union, Brian, Bruce, Bernard, Janice and Joyce. Merlin was a salesman for Rainbo Bread CO. when they lived in Schuyler for several years. As members of the St. Augustin's Catholic Church, Merlin was a 4th Degree Knight. Rainbo transferred Merlin to Grand Island as a supervisor in 1967 and he worked for Rainbo for 20 years before retiring. In July 1979 he started working for Macklanburg-Duncan of Oklahoma City, OK as a factory representative for 20 years. In that time Merlin drove a million miles without an accident. He retired from Macklanburg-Duncan in July 1999.

Merlin's hobbies were fishing with his family, hunting and classic cars. He owned a 1955 Crown Vic and attended many car shows and received many awards. He enjoyed traveling south for the winter with his motor home to Arizona and Texas. His greatest enjoyment included his children, 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was very proud of his children and their accomplishments in life. He also enjoyed being outdoors working in the garden and mowing his lawn. He was a charter member of Resurrection Catholic Church where he was on the Parish Council, finance committee and a trustee. Merlin and Delores transferred to Blessed Sacrament Church where they were involved in the music ministry and sound system. They were also members of the Platt Duetsche and enjoyed listening and dancing to polka music.

Memorials may be designated to Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

Cemetery Details

Grand Island City Cemetery

Grand Island, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Merlin N. Yosten*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Delores, my sympathies. I just learned of Merlin's death. Know you are in my prayers.*

S. Clarice

S. Clarice Korger, O.S.B. - May 07, 2016 at 04:53 PM



“ *Delores...Rich and I have many happy memories over the years with your family...especially the snowstorm where we stayed with you 5 days and Merlin came and got us with a tractor.*

Also, the trip to Alaska with both of you is memorable.

You are in our thoughts and prayers Delores and so is your family.

All our love and prayers,

Rich and Muriel Kempf

Rich and Muriel Kempf - April 18, 2016 at 04:46 PM



“ *Delores, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Esther Brockmann - April 18, 2016 at 10:26 AM

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“ *Dusty and Martha purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Merlin N. Yosten.*



Dusty and Martha - April 15, 2016 at 02:01 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Merlin N. Yosten.*



April 15, 2016 at 01:01 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Merlin N. Yosten.*



April 14, 2016 at 03:31 PM

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“ *Thoughts and prayers with all of you during this difficult time!
Lisa Stethem and family*

lisa - April 14, 2016 at 02:29 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Merlin N. Yosten.



April 14, 2016 at 09:45 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Merlin N. Yosten.



April 14, 2016 at 09:09 AM



“ *Brian, our prayers are with you and your family. Heaven received another angel.....*

Love,

Troy & Misti Gannon

Misti Gannon - April 14, 2016 at 07:42 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Merlin N. Yosten.



April 13, 2016 at 03:20 PM