



Virgil Melsen

April 7, 1929 - September 18, 2024

Virgil Melsen, 95 of Grand Island died Wednesday, September 18, 2024. Celebration of Life Service will be at 10 AM Monday, September 23rd at All Faiths Funeral Home. Daniel Naranjo will officiate. Burial will be in the Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery. Military honors will be rendered by the U.S. Army and United Veterans Honor Guards.

Visitation will be an hour before service time. Memorials are suggested to 'All Aboard for Stolley Park Campaign' for the completion of their neighborhood park.

Virg was born on April 7, 1929, in rural Dannebrog, the son of Leslie and May (Johnson) Melsen. He graduated from Dannebrog High School class of 1946. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War from January 1951-1953. Following his honorable discharge, he began employment with Diamond Engineering where he was employed for 44 years. He was also co-owner of M & V Striping for many years which is now owned by his son, Greg Melsen, now known as Melsen Striping. Virgil was one of the first part-time employees of All Faiths Funeral Home working from 2000-2015. His love and encouragement remain a cornerstone for the success of All Faiths.

On March 3, 1957 he was united in marriage to the love of his life, Lois Berg. This union was blessed with children Steve, Kristy and Greg.

Some of Virg's great loves include his family; wood working – making clocks, rolltop desks, toy chests for all his grand and great grandkids, Yankees Baseball, Husker sports, collecting baseball cards and coins. He loved

gardening tomatoes, corn, strawberries, beans, peas and always had the potatoes planted by Good Friday.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 67 years, Lois; children, Kristy Cain of Urbandale, IA, Greg (Karen) Melsen of Grand Island; grandchildren, Miranda (Dave) Offner, Brad (Stefanie) Green, Camreron (Rachel) Vugrinovich, Chris (Cassie Pease) Cain, Taylor (Cali) Cain, Nicole (Mitch Hinrichs) Hansen, Alex Melsen and Samuel (Yolanda) Melsen and 10 great grandchildren.

Virg is preceded in death by son, Steve Melsen.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Memorial Park

3826 West Stolley Park Road
Grand Island, NE 68803

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

SEP **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Virgil Melsen*



All Faiths Funeral Home - September 23, 2024 at 09:18 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Virgil Melsen.*



September 22, 2024 at 01:28 PM



“ *For two summers while off from college, I drove a cement truck for Diamond Engineering paving many street in Grand Island. I often consider that my most enjoyable job and one the reasons was because Virgil (whom everyone called Fats) was the crew chief. I respected and liked him immensely; I have nothing but very fond memories of Fats and my time working with him. His family will be in my prayers. R. J. (Bob) Ley*

RJ Ley - September 21, 2024 at 11:12 AM

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“ From the Steve Offner Family with love. purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Virgil Melsen.



From the Steve Offner Family with love. - September 20, 2024
at 01:07 PM

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“ From the Steve Offner Family with love. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virgil Melsen.

From the Steve Offner Family with love. - September 20, 2024 at 01:07 PM