



Wayne E. Gleason

July 22, 1939 - March 13, 2026

Wayne E. Gleason, 86, of Grand Island, passed away on March 13, 2026, at Tabitha at Prairie Commons. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, March 19th at 10:30 am at All Faiths Funeral Home, with Dan Naranjo officiating. Burial will take place at the Eaton Cemetery in Heartwell on Thursday afternoon. Visitation will be on Wednesday, from 5-7 pm, also at the funeral home.

Wayne was born on July 22, 1939, in Heartwell, to Charles and Gertrude (Baker) Gleason. He was raised and received his education in Grand Island, graduating from Grand Island Senior High in 1957. After graduation, Wayne enlisted in the United States Army.

On January 31, 1965, Wayne was united in marriage to Sharon Bottorf. Four children were blessed into this union. Wayne worked his entire life, and received much enjoyment from being a land surveyor, first for Benjamin and Associates and later for the Hall County Department of Roads, until his retirement seven years ago.

Wayne attended Lutheran churches and the Berean Bible Church. He was always a jokester, and his pranks will be remembered by all who knew him. Wayne enjoyed working, bowling, and handling livestock. As he got older, he cherished his time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Sharon; children, Rodney (Jodi) Gleason of Gresham, Kevin (Tonia) Gleason of Grand Island, Lori (Jeff) Beck of Grand Island, and Rodney 'Scooter' Gleason of Grand Island; five

grandchildren; four great grandchildren; siblings, Dale Gleason, Kenny (Bev) Gleason, Diane (John) Hohnstein, and Joyce (Greg) Husen; in-laws, Ronda and Dave Mudloff, Connie Bottorf, Joyce Bottorf; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Gertrude; great grandson, Hank Wayne; and in-laws, Lucien and Viola Bottorf, Jim and Shirley Kraft, Donald Bottorf, Larry Bottorf, and Tom and Florence Casper.

Memorials are suggested to the family for later designation.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

MAR 19. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Burial

MAR 19. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM.

Eaton Cemetery
Heartwell, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Wayne E. Gleason*



All Faiths Funeral Home - March 18 at 05:05 PM

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“ *Jon and Laura Jensen purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Wayne E. Gleason.*



Jon and Laura Jensen - March 18 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Jon and Laura Jensen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wayne E. Gleason.*

Jon and Laura Jensen - March 18 at 05:02 PM

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“Wayne was a friend and a land surveyor that I worked alongside, admired and respected. I will miss him greatly.

Wayne began his land surveying career working for Edwin D. Benjamin, Engineering and Surveying in Grand Island, Nebraska in September 1958. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1961 and served in the United States Military Police Corps from 1961 thru 1964. After the Army, Wayne returned to Grand Island to continue his surveying career with Edwin D. Benjamin & Associates. He first applied to the Board of Examiners for licensure on October 4, 1969, and earned his Surveyor In Training certificate number 73 on February 7, 1986. Wayne worked for the Hall County Public Works Department and County Surveyor from 2004 until his retirement in 2019 and was involved with the perpetuation of nearly every section and quarter corner in Hall County. Wayne was honored by the Professional Surveyor's Association of Nebraska with the Head Chainman Award in 2017. With the exception of the 4 years he served in the Army, Wayne worked his entire 60 year career in the profession of land surveying. Wayne was the oldest living member of the current Annual Report roster of land surveyors of the Nebraska Board of Examiners.

Casey C. Sherlock, Nebraska State Surveyor

Casey Sherlock - March 16 at 04:01 PM

JJ

The best to ever hold a chain. He measured the earth so we could find our place on it. Honored to have been his chainman. We are linked always.

Jon Jensen - March 18 at 05:09 PM

RF

“ Ryan and Karen Dunsbergen and family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Wayne E. Gleason.



Ryan and Karen Dunsbergen and family - March 14 at 07:11 PM