



Arnold Kephart

July 3, 1931 - June 20, 2012

The memorial service for Arnold Kephart was held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at the Faith United Church of Christ in Bertha, MN with Pastor Marli Danielson presiding. Arnold passed away on June 20, 2012, at the age of 80, at Lakewood Health Systems in Staples. Arnold Rae Kephart was born on July 3, 1931 to Earl W. and Florence M. Clouse in Ida Grove, IA. He was united in marriage with Elsie Marie Purucker on November 21, 1954 in Galva, IA. He lived in the Bertha area for over 40 years, working on his farm and using his skills in building construction. He enjoyed the outdoors when hunting and fishing, and used his woodworking talent in his spare hours . He was preceded in death by his parents Earl and Florence; daughter Karla Kay Rasmusson; great-granddaughter Alecia Reinolt; and sons-in-law Keith Reinolt and Curtis Lamberson. Arnold is survived by his wife Elsie of Bertha; son Wayde of Wadena; daughters Kimberlee (Steve) Goeden of Clearwater, Arnette (Mike) Kneisl of Bertha and Ranae (Mike) Stumbris of Wausaukee, WI; 16 grandchildren & 17 great-grandchildren; brother George of Concord, CA; and sisters Carol Odgaard of Ida Grove, IA, and Dorothy Carson of Fremont, NE. Honorary pallbearers were all of Arnold's grandchildren. Burial was in Moran Methodist Cemetery in Germania Township, Todd County, MN.

Tribute Wall

VJ

“ I'm so sorry to hear of your loss, "what a fun & silly person" is what I remember of him. Very hard working and loved his family. Growing up I remember sitting out in front of your house after a day of haying with a bunch of us kids hanging around sitting at the picnic table. Yup I just aged us but hey whatever. Once again I'm so sorry.

Vicki Jahnke - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ So sorry to hear of your family's sad news. I know you have many fond memories of Arnie, as we all in the Gorghuber family do. Be gentle with each other during this difficult time, and know that others share your sorrow.

carol hart - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Arnie. What a sweet guy he was. Always had a smile for us. Told jokes, what a fun guy to be around at church. We will truly miss him. I won't be able to make it to the service, but you will be in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless! May Jesus be your strength.

Ray and Sandy South - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *That Darn Arnie!!!! He will be missed by many. Please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. May he comfort you and give you a peace that passes understanding. God Bless.*

Lisa Hoemberg - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM