



## Harold Piepkorn

December 12, 1920 - December 14, 2004

Harold A. Piepkorn was born on December 12, 1920 to Arthur and Holdena Piepkorn at their farm, 1 mile south of Hewitt. He graduated from Hewitt High School. Harold was united in marriage with Sophy M. Brooks on April 18, 1943 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Hewitt. He farmed for over 30 years. He also provided Swedish massage for over 17 years out of their home outside of Hewitt. He served his community as an elder at church and a Sunday School teacher, a member of the Lutheran Layman's League, Gideons, Hewitt Senior Citizens, Staples Area Men's Chorus and as a 4-H leader. He enjoyed woodworking, singing and being outside deer hunting, fishing, Agate hunting and gardening. Above all else, though, he loved his time with his family. Harold passed away on December 14, 2004 at the Central Todd County Care Center in Clarissa at the age of 84 years and 2 days. He was a kind, gentle, God-fearing man who cared about people and gave of himself to help others. Harold was preceded in death by his parents, brother Edwin Piepkorn and sister Myrna Meinhardt. He is survived by his wife Sophy; sons Gary (Judy) of Portales, New Mexico and Lee (Cindy) of Sauk Rapids, Minnesota; daughters Janis (Dale) Heins of Hewitt and Beverly (Dan) Kerns of Littleton, Colorado; and 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters Eleanor (Gordon) Utermarck of Golden Valley, Minnesota and Mildred (Lloyd) Theisen of Sauk Rapids. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 18, 2004 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Hewitt with Reverend Gary Piepkorn and Reverend Blake Rickbeil presiding. Pallbearers were his

grandchildren Aaron Piepkorn, Leah Vigil, Jared Piepkorn, Peter Piepkorn, Bobbi Downing, Tony Heins, Kent Heins, Jeremiah Piepkorn, Patrick Piepkorn, John Kerns and Jane Krueger. Interment was in the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery at rural Hewitt. [View this Video tribute](#) [View Memorial Site](#)

# Tribute Wall

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“ We were so sorry to learn of Harold's death. You are in our thoughts and prayers during these very sad days.

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**Michael and Anne Koch, Jonathon, Matthew, and Megan** - December 14, 2004 at 12:00 AM

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“ I so very much honor Uncle Harold for his gentle spirit and tenacity; loving his family, both immediate and extended; and for his progressiveness in changing careers midway, doing it out of love for his wife.

*Uncle Harold was a sweet man.*

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**Laura Meinhardt** - December 14, 2004 at 12:00 AM

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“ Hi, everyone...what a great guy he was!!...we enjoyed many times with he and Sophie, and fondly recall the time they spent with Dad and Mom, when Dad was at Abbott Northwestern r/t heart surgery years ago...he had a gentle smile with a twinkle in his eye...Heaven is a sweeter place with his presence...hugs from Swede and Mickey

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**Swede and Mickey Theobald** - December 14, 2004 at 12:00 AM