



Kenneth Kolstad

September 6, 1932 - June 2, 2022

The funeral service for Kenneth Kolstad of Eagle Bend will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 17, at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Clarissa. Visitation will be held at the church in Clarissa on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

Kenny, age 89, passed away peacefully on June 2, 2022, at Bethany on the Lake, Alexandria, MN.

Kenny was born to Gustave and Clara (Thorpe) Kolstad on September 6, 1932, in Burleene Township, near Eagle Bend in Todd County, MN. He graduated from Eagle Bend High School.

Kenny married Jean Bonniel Kottom on December 20, 1952, in Mountain Iron. After marrying the love of his life Jean, Kenny enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served as a flight engineer and instructor until his honorable discharge in 1974, at which time he retired after 21 years of service with United State Air Force. Kenny then went on to serve in US Air Force Reserves for many years following his retirement. Kenny enjoyed socializing, sharing stories of his Air Force service, often with a cup of coffee in one hand and a cookie in the other! Home-cooking was his favorite, although he would go out to eat or for a cold beer to be with friends. He was a generous soul, who had a kind heart that brought him to the service of family, friends, and

especially those in need. Over the years he tended to his dairy farm, drove truck for Kottom Trucking, helped his fellow neighbors with farming, tinkered on vehicles, tractors and small engines. Kenny was proud member of the VFW Post 0280 in Eagle Bend, where you could find him talking with friends and family, playing pull tabs, and buying a round.

Preceding Kenny in death were his wife, Jean (2015); parents, Gustave and Clara; brothers, Lyle, Leslie and Aldin Kolstad; and in-laws, Melvin and Freedia Kottom.

Greatly loved, Kenny will be remembered by his children Tom (Sandy) Kolstad of Verndale, Kim Kohlhase of Bertha, Karen (David, Jr) Kohlhase of Bertha, Steve (Jenny) Kolstad of Henning, and Christina (Steve) Martinson of Parkers Prairie; 19 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; brother, Roger (Ila Mae) Kolstad of Carthage, MO; along with a host of friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be Amanda Kolstad, Ashley Roth, Tina Myrum, Colette Underwood, Kristi Kohlhase, Samantha Kolstad, Stephanie Kolstad, and Rachel Martinson.

Serving as pallbearers will be Joshua Martinson, Jarret Martinson, Gus Kolstad, Steve Kolstad, Jr, Jonathan Kohlhase, Jeremy Kohlhase and Anthony Kohlhase.

Burial will be in the Minnesota Veterans State Cemetery, Little Falls, MN.

Cemetery Details

MN State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Hwy 15
Little Falls, MN 56345

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
312 US Highway 71 East
Clarissa, MN 56440

Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Shirley lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Kolstad



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“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kenneth Kolstad.



June 04, 2022 at 11:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kenneth Kolstad.



June 03, 2022 at 06:02 PM