



William H. Kern

March 3, 1929 - August 24, 2017

The Mass of Christian Burial for William “Bill” Kern of Blue Grass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 1, at the St. Hubert’s Catholic Church in Blue Grass with Father Lauren Germann as celebrant. Visitation will be held on Thursday at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. with Prayers at 6:00 and Rosary to follow. The visitation will resume at the church on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass.

Bill, age 88, passed away on Thursday, August 24, 2017, due to an ATV accident near his home in rural Blue Grass, MN.

William was born to Adam Anton and Emily Mary (Botzet) Kern on March 3, 1929 at their home in North Germany Township, Wadena County, MN. As a child he attended District 23 Country School. Bill joined the US Army in 1954 until his honorable discharge in 1956. He worked as a beef farmer with multiple jobs off the farm.

When time allowed, Bill enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was very involved with politics and was an active member on the Region 5 Development Commission, the North Germany Township Board and the Wadena County Association of Townships. Bill was also a member of the Wadena VFW Post 3922 and Sebeka American Legion. He carried a strong Catholic faith and was a lifetime member of St. Hubert’s Catholic Church in Blue Grass.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents Adam and Emily; brothers Clem, Ray, Ed, and Bob; and sisters Mary Kern and Hilde Uselman.

He will be remembered by his sister Dolores Stoltman; sister-in-law Margaret

Kern; numerous nieces and nephews; along with friends and neighbors.

Honorary pallbearers will be Harlan Umland, Chuck Venzke, Ted Fischer, Ron Piepkorn, Dieter Meister, Roland Larson, Don Lubitz, and Sylvester Heltemes.

Serving as pallbearers will be Dan Kern, Tom Kern, Jack Kern, Dustin Uselman, Chad Uselman, Jake Uselman, Joe Kern and Alex Mimmack.

Burial will be in St. Hubert's Catholic Cemetery, Blue Grass, MN.

Cemetery Details

St. Hubert's Catholic Cemetery

17343 220th Street
Sebeka, MN 56477

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Visitation

SEP 1. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Hubert's Catholic Church
22008 Co Rd 23
(10 miles N. of Verndale on Co Rd 23)
Blue Grass, MN 56477

Service

SEP 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Hubert's Catholic Church
22008 Co Rd 23
(10 miles N. of Verndale on Co Rd 23)
Blue Grass, MN 56477

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of William H. Kern*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - August 29, 2017 at 07:24 PM

DS

“ *Bill Kern Family & Friends: It was a sad day when I learned that Bill passed away. We had many lively discussions about local, state and national politics. Bill was always knowledgeable, passionate about his beliefs and articulated his position very well. He had a snappy personality and clever wit. A joy to meet and visit. Fond memories remain. Rest In Peace, Bill. Dan Sartell, Wadena*

Dan Sartell - August 31, 2017 at 12:48 PM

AK

“ *Aaron & Holly Kern lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Aaron & Holly Kern - August 31, 2017 at 09:04 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of William H. Kern.*



August 31, 2017 at 12:24 AM



“ *Duane And Jan Guck lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Duane and Jan Guck - August 30, 2017 at 09:44 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Bill's passing. He will be missed. He was always smiling and cheerful, he would ask how was hunting this year or fishing and ask what else I was doing. Wadena County and the township folks had a great champion in Bill, he always thought of the taxpayer and how proposed legislation would affect them. He went to Washington DC a few years ago and came back astounded by the price of his morning coffee and a roll. I always liked to see Bill and share a laugh with him, truly one of the best human beings ever.*

Ann Hanson

Ann Hanson - August 30, 2017 at 05:17 PM



“ *Bill's commitment to public service and lifelong commitment to this Nation and Community as a Veteran and Citizen will be truly missed, but the legacy of his accomplishments will be ever-present for long into the future. Godspeed!*



Charles Parins - August 30, 2017 at 01:10 PM

AL

“ *When I became a member of Region Five Commission Bill made me feel so welcome, and provided a wealth of information about the history of the commission. He will be missed!*
Andrea Lauer

Andrea Lauer - August 30, 2017 at 12:53 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of William H. Kern.*



August 30, 2017 at 11:58 AM

DH

“ *Bill was a friend of mine -- a wonderful neighbor even if he wasn't your neighbor! A guy you could count on to help in any situation and always a positive person with a smile on his face to greet you. I will miss him.*

Deb Herbert - August 30, 2017 at 10:09 AM

BR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Barbara Runck - August 30, 2017 at 08:09 AM

KE

“ *Kathy Erickson lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Kathy Erickson - August 29, 2017 at 08:28 PM

JU

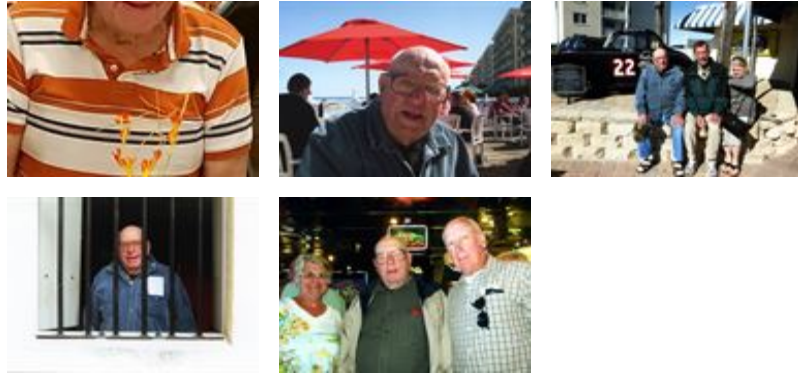
“ *John Uselman lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



john uselman - August 29, 2017 at 06:35 PM



“ 42 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - August 29, 2017 at 06:08 PM

RB

“ Randy And Jodi Becker lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern



Randy and Jodi Becker - August 29, 2017 at 02:25 PM

LU

“ Bryan and Lucinda Wegscheid family



Lucinda - August 29, 2017 at 11:43 AM

RA

“ Roger & JoAnn Anderson lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern



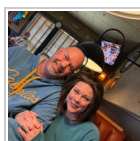
Roger & JoAnn Anderson - August 29, 2017 at 11:22 AM

TK

“ The Family of Clem and Marnle Kern purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of William H. Kern.



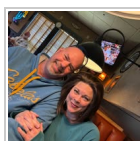
The Family of Clem and Marnle Kern - August 29, 2017 at 11:22 AM



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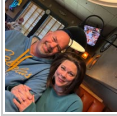
Maria Green-Uselman - August 29, 2017 at 10:09 AM



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Maria Green-Uselman - August 29, 2017 at 10:05 AM



Uncle Bill came over to our house this day for us to help him dress for the church's photo directory. I picked out his outfit the day before, and he brought it over the day of his pictures. He ate lunch with us beforehand. That was this summer. It was a fun and funny day. I'm glad I got a picture of the boys with him.

Maria Green-Uselman - August 29, 2017 at 08:41 PM



“ *Maria Green-Uselman lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Maria Green-Uselman - August 29, 2017 at 10:00 AM



Uncle Bill was a huge happy part of our lives. He will be deeply missed by our whole family. There is definitely a huge void that will not be easily filled now that he is gone. May Jesus bring you safely into His arms for eternity, Bill. I love you. <3

Maria Green-Uselman - August 29, 2017 at 10:02 AM

RJ

You will always have those good memories, Maria.

Rose Johnson - August 29, 2017 at 04:40 PM

JT

“ *Jim And Vickie Thompson lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Jim and Vickie Thompson - August 29, 2017 at 07:25 AM

AM

“ We will miss seeing Bill at church. Our deepest sympathy to his family.

Alan & Shirley Malone - August 28, 2017 at 07:06 PM

GW

“ Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern



Glen Donna Wood - August 28, 2017 at 05:15 PM

HL

“ Harold & Barb Lillquist lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern



Harold & Barb Lillquist - August 28, 2017 at 12:59 PM

TK

“ Tammie Klawitter sent a virtual gift in memory of William H. Kern



Tammie Klawitter - August 28, 2017 at 10:54 AM

Londa Burgau

“ *Bill will be missed by many! Rest in peace
Londa Burgau*

Londa Burgau - August 28, 2017 at 07:18 AM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the
family of William H. Kern.*



August 27, 2017 at 11:30 PM



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Carolyn - August 27, 2017 at 09:59 PM



Nice picture, thanks for posting this.

Rose Johnson - August 29, 2017 at 09:35 AM



“ *Leonard Thompson lit a candle in memory of
William H. Kern*



Leonard Thompson - August 27, 2017 at 03:08 PM

LT

Sad to hear the passing of Bill. He was a life long friend and great neighbor .

Leonard Thompson - August 27, 2017 at 03:10 PM

FK

“ *So sorry for your loss. I pray you find comfort in all the wonderful memories of the time you shared. He will be missed.*

Fran Kueker - August 27, 2017 at 09:57 AM



“ *Scott Kern lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Scott Kern - August 26, 2017 at 09:41 PM

 Michael Lillquist

“ *Michael Lillquist lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Michael Lillquist - August 26, 2017 at 08:56 PM

TK

“ *Tammie Klawitter sent a virtual gift in memory of William H. Kern*



Tammie Klawitter - August 26, 2017 at 12:10 PM

MF

“ *Mark And Bonnie Richter Family sent a virtual gift in memory of William H. Kern*



Mark and Bonnie Richter Family - August 26, 2017 at 10:33 AM

JR

“ *Jack & Judy Richterjac lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Jack & Judy Richterjac - August 26, 2017 at 07:56 AM

BR

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Barbara Runck - August 26, 2017 at 06:51 AM

JS

“ *Jim Stoneman lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Jim Stoneman - August 26, 2017 at 04:56 AM

BW

“ *Bob & Phyllis Wilkening lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Bob & Phyllis Wilkening - August 25, 2017 at 07:42 PM

DK

“ *Dan & Beth Kern lit a candle in memory of William H. Kern*



Dan & Beth Kern - August 25, 2017 at 07:10 PM