



## Eugene Hochlan Jr.

September 17, 1944 - November 27, 2022

Eugene Hochlan, Jr. passed away peacefully in his home on November 27, 2022 surrounded by his family after a battle with pancreatic cancer. He was 78 years of age.

Eugene was born on September 17, 1944 in Justeen, Poland to Eugene Hochlan, Sr. and Helene (Metz) Hochlan. He relocated to Indianola, Iowa with his family as a child. He graduated from Indianola High School in Indianola, Iowa and attended Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. His work ethic and love for his country led him to enlisting in the Air Force right out of high school, when he went on to serve in The Vietnam War.

On November 11, 1972 he married Gloria (Kachulis) Hochlan in Omaha, Nebraska and they were blessed to celebrate 50 years of marriage this year. He had one daughter, Anja (Hochlan) Loftus, son-in-law Matthew Loftus, and grandson Cameron Loftus as well as one son, Michael Hochlan. Eugene was employed as a locomotive railroad engineer for most of his career and even after retirement, he still smiled every time he heard a train whistling down the track.

He was highly respected among the pigeon and dove fancier community and especially was versed in pigeon/dove color genetics. He had a green thumb and loved being outdoors, whether it was landscaping or simply admiring his

surroundings. He also enjoyed watching the history channel, traveling, and spending time with his family. Although he was a man of routine, he also welcomed many new adventures throughout his lifetime. Most people described Eugene as kind, knowledgeable, hard working, inventive, strong both inside and out, and always willing to lend a helping hand. All held him in high regard and loved him for the great man he was.

The visitation will be held at Reichmuth Funeral Home, 21901 W Maple Rd, Elkhorn on Sunday, December 4 from 3-5 PM. There will be a funeral at the same location on Monday, December 5 at 10:30 AM with a luncheon to follow along with a burial at Omaha National Cemetery, 14250 Schram Rd, Omaha. All are invited to attend.

Memorials may be made to The American Cancer Society, Bridge Church Omaha, or a charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 4. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
402-289-2222  
services@reichmuthfuneralhomes.com  
<https://www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 5. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
402-289-2222  
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## Graveside Service

DEC 5. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Omaha National Cemetery  
14250 Schram Road  
Omaha, NE 68138

# Tribute Wall



“ *Eugene Hochlan Jr.*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eugene Hochlan Jr..*



December 04, 2022 at 11:43 AM



“ *Gloria & children, I'm so sorry for your loss I'm extending prayers that you may find peace. MaryAnnBragg*

**MaryAnn Bragg** - December 03, 2022 at 02:07 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eugene Hochlan Jr..*



December 02, 2022 at 11:27 PM

RO

“ Rocky purchased the *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* for the family of Eugene Hochlan Jr..



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**Rocky** - December 02, 2022 at 08:53 AM

MD

“ Michael, Marianne, Grant and Danielle purchased the *Treasured Lilies Spray* for the family of Eugene Hochlan Jr..



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**Michael, Marianne, Grant and Danielle** - December 02, 2022 at 08:45 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Eugene Hochlan Jr..



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December 01, 2022 at 04:33 PM

MK

“ So sorry to hear of Gene's passing. Such a kind gentleman with an inventive spirit.  
Mary and Rich Kramer

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**mary and rich kramer** - November 30, 2022 at 05:26 PM

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“ *The American Legion & Auxiliary send our sincere sympathies for your loss of Eugene and honor his service in Vietnam with gratitude. If you need surviving spouse benefit information, please message The Elkhorn Post at <https://www.facebook.com/American.Legion.Auxiliary.NEUnit362>*

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**Paula Pillen** - November 30, 2022 at 02:54 PM