



LaVern F Van Vleet

July 31, 1928 - July 13, 2013

LaVern Fredrick Van Vleet was born on July 31, 1928 in Genoa, Nebraska to Vern and Carrie (Dolan) Van Vleet. He grew up in Gibbon and Kearney, where he attended Kearney High School. As a young boy, Vern helped with farm chores and field work. In addition to enjoying the company of his brothers and sisters, he spent a great deal of time hunting and fishing along the Platte River with his brother Don.

Vern married Tillie Trompke on December 31, 1948 at the Methodist Church in Minden, Nebraska and to this union four sons were born: Daniel, Ronald, Michael and David. Vern and Tillie came to Omaha shortly after they were married and moved to the acreage near Waterloo in November of 1972.

Vern worked for Armour and Company as an electrician for 15 years before starting his own business – Pioneer Lawn and later added a tree nursery. Vern and Tillie became charter members of Elkhorn Hills United Methodist Church.

The family enjoyed camping trips and Vern was a master at the Barbeque.

Vern was a friendly, caring, understanding man who worked hard all of his life. He would not tolerate tardiness, the boys remembered that “on time” was ten minutes early. He could often be heard saying “If you want it done right, do it yourself” and “If you are going to do it, do it right”.

Vern passed away on Saturday, July 13, 2013 at his home in Valley, with his family by his side at the age of 84 years, 11 months and 13 days. He was preceded in death by his parents Vern and Carrie, Brothers Don and Bobbie and grandson Chad. He is survived by his wife Tillie; sons and daughters-in-

law Daniel and Denise of Valley, Ronald and Lisa of Ft. Calhoun, NE, Michael and Carrie of Omaha and David of Waterloo, NE; 12 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; sisters Betty Reeves of Omaha, Bonnie Burton of Pleasanton, NE and Beverly Marlatt of Chadron, NE.

Van Vleet, Vern "Hap" age 84 of Valley, NE

Survived by wife Tillie; sons and daughters-in-law Daniel and Denise of Valley, Ronald and Lisa of Ft. Calhoun, Michael and Carrie of Omaha and David of Waterloo; 12 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; sisters Betty Reeves of Omaha, Bonnie Burton of Pleasanton, NE and Beverly Marlet of Chadron, NE; Gathering with the family Sunday from 6 to 8 at the funeral home; Memorial Service Monday 10 AM at Eikhorn Hills United Methodist Church. Private interment. Memorials to Methodist Hospice or Camp Fontenelle; Condolences to www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *LaVern F Van Vleet*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Dear Vleet Family;*

While reading the online obituary, I observed the death of your love one.

Death is an enemy to mankind and who can understand it? It can and dose have a devastating effect on you and your family as well.

Can you imagine reading a newspaper with the headline; "When Death is Swallowed Up Forever....." What a wonderful time that will be. Revelation 21:4 offers this hope, it states: "And he (God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes and death will be no more, neither will morning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. " The former things have passed away." What a comforting hope.

If you would be interested in learning even more, I can send you a little tract that is entitle "What Hope for Dead Loved Ones"? If you have any Questions please feel free to contact me at this e-mail address here (b.molina56@yahoo.com).

I offer my sincere condolences, may the God of peace be with you and your family.

*Sincerely Yours,
Brandy Molina*

Brandy Molina - July 30, 2013 at 02:59 PM

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“ Aunt Tillie & Family, Words can't express the sadness that we are feeling losing Uncle Hap. He was always "Happy" and for some reason I planted cannas early Sunday morn. There is nothing that you two can't make grow. Our Lord was ready for another Angel.

Pamela Long - July 17, 2013 at 02:56 PM

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“ Dear Tillie, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Linda George - July 16, 2013 at 12:25 PM

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“ To the Van Vleet family, I wanted to say how so very sorry I am for your loss. LaVern was a such wonderful person and I always enjoyed our conversations we had, he had a great sense of humor as well. He will be greatly missed by many.

Sandy Eckert - July 15, 2013 at 01:54 PM