

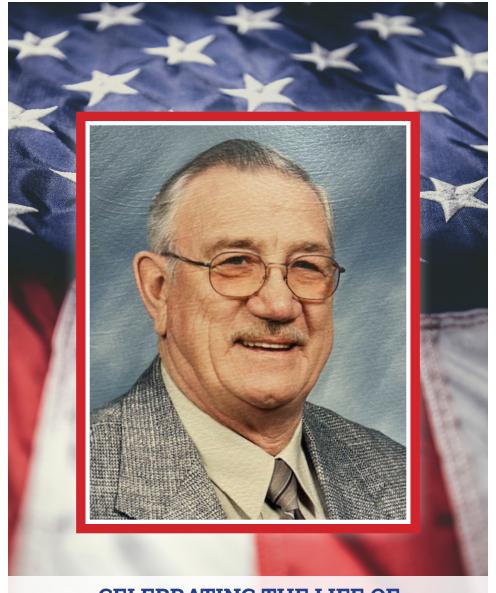
To those I may have wronged I ask for forgiveness.

To those I may have helped I wish I did more.

To those I neglected to help I ask for understanding.

To those who helped me, I sincerely thank you so much.

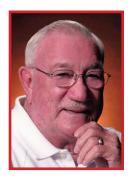




CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

BRUCE E. SANKEY

December 4, 1935 - December 16, 2023



Bruce E. Sankey, 88, of Garner, passed away Saturday, December 16, 2023, at Westview Care Center in Britt.

Bruce Edward Sankey, the son of Delbert and Virginia (Lowman) Sankey, was born December 4, 1935, in Iowa City. He grew up on a farm east of Garner and attended school at Ventura until the 8th grade. Later in life he would tell family and friends he graduated from Sankey University.

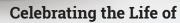
Bruce served his country in the U.S. Army from December 1954 until his honorable discharge in November 1957. During his time in the Army, he was a paratrooper recording 27 jumps. Upon his honorable discharge, he returned to Garner and bought a truck hauling livestock for his father's business, Sankey Trucking. On September 27, 1958, he married Elizabeth "Betty" Frank at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Mason City. They built a home on the southeast side of Garner where they raised their family. Bruce worked at Stockberger Trucking in Mason City and then for Waterloo Service, where he retired at 62. In his retirement, he drove a truck for his son-in-law, Mike Rollefson at GRP Associates in Clear Lake. Bruce enjoyed hunting, fishing, and bowling.

He was a member of St. Boniface Catholic Church and was very active in the Garner VFW Post 5515 serving as past commander.

Bruce is survived by his son, Rick (Denise) Sankey of Garner; daughter, Becky (Mike) Rollefson of Clear Lake; special friend, Jane Graham of Garner; seven grandchildren, Colton (Kristen) Sankey and their two children, Keegan and Kennady, Amber (Mitchell) Gleason and their three children, Jocelyn, Sullivan and Blair, Dustin (Amanda) Brown and their son, Ryker, Logan Brown and his son, Kinzer, Spencer (Christina) Rollefson and their son, Spencer, Jr., Sara Jo Sankey and her two children, Blaze and Jemma and Zachary Sankey and his two daughters, Natalie and Taylor; three sisters-in-law, Marie Sankey, Rose Portis, and Rose Frank, all of Mason City; one brother-in-law, Ed Frank of Mason City; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Betty in 2007; son, Delbert in 2016; and brother, Eugene Sankey.

Memorials may be directed to the Garner VFW Post 5515 in memory of Bruce.



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FUNERAL MASS

St. Boniface Catholic Church – Garner, Iowa 10:30 a.m., Thursday December 21, 2023

CELEBRANT

Rev. Fr. Andrew Marr

LECTOR

Rosemary Weaver

MUSIC

Mary Kopacek, Organist Mary Chambers, Cantor St. Boniface Choir

USHER

Francis Oborny

CASKET BEARERS

Dustin Brown Colton Sankey Mitchell Gleason Logan Brown Spencer Rollefson Geoffrey Graham

BURIAL

Concord Township Cemetery – Garner, Iowa

MILITARY RITES

Garner Veterans Ceremonial Unit

All are invited to a luncheon in the church basement immediately following the funeral mass.