

FINAL HARVEST

He was bound to the land from the day of his birth

His roots anchored deep in the fertile earth

Nurtured, sustained, by the soil he grew

And his life, like his furrows, ran straight and true.

In faith, each spring, he planted the seeds

In hope, to reap his family's needs

With patience, he waited for the harvest to come

To gather the fruits of his labor home.

Ever turning seasons, the years sped past

Till the final harvest came at last

Then claimed anew by beloved sod

He was gathered home to be with God.

Barbara W. Weber

I N L O V I N G *Memory*

Rolly Kortlever

May 7, 1936 † July 29, 2024

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Monday, August 5, 2024 ~ 2:00 PM

United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Minnesota

OFFICIANTS

Pastor Kali Christensen
Pastor Amy VanValkenburg

MUSICAL SELECTIONS BY

Kirk Lanmann

MILITARY HONORS

VFW Post #936
American Legion Post #87
VVA Post #235 Rifle Squad
Marine Corp League #1409
Army National Guard Funeral Honors

INURNMENT

Holland City Cemetery
Holland, Minnesota

Roland Peter Kortlever was born on May 7, 1936, on the family farm in Leota Township the son of Peter and Margaret (Olivier) Kortlever. He attended country school through the 8th grade and then helped his dad farm. In 1956 he enlisted into the United States Army and was stationed in Germany. During his tour he worked in motor pool and drove school bus bringing military children to school.

Rolly was honorably discharged on January 31, 1958. He returned to Minnesota after serving his country and worked for a short time for the Hanson Silo Company. He moved to South Dakota where he met Kay Schurman and on May 27, 1961 the couple was married in Garretson, SD. In 1963, the couple moved back to Minnesota and Rolly farmed with his father until 1970 when they bought their own farm. They were dairy farmers until 1998 when they sold the dairy herd and then started a small beef herd. In 2008 they sold the farm machinery and actively quit farming.

Rolly also worked at Wilson Manufacturing in Pipestone from 2001 to 2014 when they retired to the Alexandria area.

In retirement Rolly liked to work on puzzles, do word finds, and go fishing. Throughout his life he did a lot of woodworking, building cabinets, toy barns for the grandchildren, and was handy to help with about any project. As a couple they enjoyed going ATVing and camping. He was also a member of both the Holland American Legion in Holland, Minnesota and United Methodist Church in Alexandria, Minnesota.

Roland died on Monday, July 29, 2024 at his home. He is survived by his wife, Kay; sons: Randy (Kay), Kent (Tracy); grandchildren: April (Victor), Megan (Shad), Tyler, Tanner, Tessa (Tucker); great grandchildren: Eziekiel & Oliver; brother, Robert; sisters: Nelvia Lokhorst, Betty Huebner.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Helena; brother-in-laws: Cecil Wager, Darrel Lokhorst, and Fritz Huebner.

In Loving
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