

Safely Home

I am now at home in Heaven;
All's so happy, all so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief are over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly
Trode the valley of the Shade?
Oh! but Jesus' love illumined,
Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still;
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's will.

There is work waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do your work while life remaineth--
You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!

Arrangements Entrusted To
HARTQUIST FUNERAL HOME

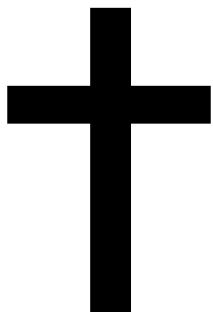
IN
Loving
MEMORY



Kenneth Grooters

December 6, 1928 - May 28, 2024

Kenneth Glenn Grooters was born on December 6, 1928, to Arie and Ella (Ossenfort) Grooters, on the family farm in Osceola County, Iowa. At a young age, Kenneth's parents had instilled in him a strong work ethic, a skill he carried throughout his entire life. He grew up on a cattle farm and quickly became accustomed to a hard day's work. Upon graduating high school in George, Iowa, in 1948, Kenneth enlisted in the United States Air Force on August 6, 1951. He was ranked as a Sergeant when he was honorably discharged on January 6, 1955. After serving, Kenneth began his lifelong career of farming. He was proud to own a registered dairy Holstein herd. On August 15, 1958, Kenneth married the love of his life, Muriel Smith, in George. Their union was blessed with four sons and 58 years of life together. In 1975, after farming for a while near George, they purchased a farm by Verdi, Minnesota. They lived on this farm until moving into Lake Benton, Minnesota, in 2002. Muriel passed away on December 28, 2016. She may have left this world but she never left Kenneth's heart. Kenneth passed away on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at the Pipestone County Medical Center in Pipestone, Minnesota, at the age of 95.



Kenneth was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lake Benton. He spent many hours at the Pipestone Livestock Auction in Pipestone. You could always find him in the crowd on Tuesday's and Thursday's, watching those auctions. Kenneth will be remembered by his tendency to have a 'lead foot' when driving – he was always trying to race someone to the next destination! He touched the lives of many, leaving a lasting impact of his love for his family and friends.

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Memory
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Visitation

Friday, May 31, 2024
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Prayer Service 7:30 PM
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Lake Benton, Minnesota

Officiating - Rev. Erik Lund

Pallbearers

Kevin Grooters Dayle Grooters
David Grooters Jason Grooters

Honorary Pallbearers

Kenneth's Grandchildren

Interment

Saturday, June 1, 2024 10:30 AM
Evergreen Lawn Cemetery - George, Iowa



Kenneth is lovingly remembered by his sons, Kevin (Helen) of Elkton, South Dakota, David (Linda) of Verdi, Dayle (Christine) of Tyler, Minnesota, and Jason (Kristin) of Lake Benton; 19 grandchildren, Kayla, Zachary, Nicholas, Samantha, Justin, Melissa, Amanda, EllaMae, Matthew, Brooklyn, Brett, Kelsey, Joshua, Katelyn, Alianna, Autumn, Carson, Destiney, and Jada; 11 great-grandchildren, plus two on the way; one brother, Norman (Audrey) Grooters of Vancouver, Washington; and many other loving family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife, Muriel Grooters; parents, Arie and Ella; one grandson, Kristopher Grooters; and his sister, Helen Starr.