



Merlin G. Rostermundt

March 11, 1930

June 19, 2024



Merlin G. Rostermundt was born March 11, 1930, in Manning, Iowa the son of Marie Rostermundt. He graduated from Manning High School where he was a member of the 1948 State Champion Basketball team. He then attended Parsons College in Fairfield, Iowa where he lettered in three sports and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1952. In 1966, he earned his Master of Education degree from the University of South Dakota.

Merlin married Marilyn Grau, his high school classmate, on November 23, 1950 in Arcadia, Iowa. Merlin was a High School instructor and coach in Fairfield until moving to Westside, Iowa in 1956. He taught and coached and became the elementary principal for the AR-WE-VA School district until 1961. The family moved to Ireton, Iowa in 1961 where he was employed as the elementary principal for West Sioux Community School in Ireton until 1969.

Merlin left education in 1969 to enter into the Banking and Insurance business, which he did for the next 24 years. In this period of time, he served on the Ireton City Council, as the City Clerk, and later as Mayor of Ireton. Merlin spent 4 years as a Northwest Iowa Technical College School Board member in Sheldon and 6 years on the West Sioux Community School Board, serving 5 years as president of the board.

During Merlin's life, many Friday and Saturday nights were spent refereeing football and basketball games for 20 years. He also served on St. Paul's Lutheran Church council in various positions from chairman to finance secretary. He also served for 23 years as a member of the Sioux County Election Board for Reading Township. Merlin was inducted into the Parsons College Wall of Honor on October 8, 2016. Merlin passed away on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at Floyd Senior Living in Sergeant Bluff, Iowa at the age of 94.

Merlin is survived by their three children, Monica Verros of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, Mona Lewis of Cedar City, Utah, and Matthew Rostermundt and wife Annie of Eden Prairie, Minnesota; 7 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Marie; wife, Marilyn who passed on April 13, 2017; son-in-law, Will Verros; and an infant daughter, Marla.

In Loving Memory Of Merlin G. Rostermundt

FUNERAL SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2024
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Ireton, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Michael Boothby

ORGANIST

Jeanna Negaard

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"How Great Thou Art"

"The Lamb"

"On Eagle's Wings"

CASKET BEARERS

Jeremy Verros ~ Brandon Verros
Jason Verros ~ Nic Rostermundt
Jared Christensen ~ Kenz Draayer

INTERMENT

Pleasant Hill Cemetery
Ireton, Iowa

*Please join Merlin's family for lunch and fellowship
at the Ireton Community Center
following the committal service.*