

Robert Michael Klein Sr. was born November 18, 1936 on the family farm near Hammond, WI., and passed to his rest on February 16, 2022. He was one of twelve children born to Ted and Ann (Korody) Klein. He attended grade school near his home. The family later moved to Oregon where Bob finished his education. Bob then joined his brother in Peterburg, Alaska doing construction and painting for six years until he was drafted into the Army in 1960. Basic

Training at Fort Sam Houston, TX was home for the next six months until he was shipped off to Germany. During this time Roberts brother Ted told his new sister in law, Norma Krogstad to write to his brother in Germany. After corresponding for nearly two years Robert and Norma were married on February 24, 1963. He took his new bride back to Alaska for eight months working construction again and Salmon fishing for Queen Fisheries. They later moved to a farm near Callaway, MN where their two sons were born. The family moved to Fremont, CA, where Robert worked for Giant Tree Movers. During this time their daughter Valerie was born. Once again the family returned to the Detroit Lakes area in 1971 and settled on an eighty acre hobby farm. Along with the farm, Robert worked on construction and RV Sales. In 1977 Robert and Norma started a family business “Market Basket Natural Foods Store and Café.” They operated that for ten years before selling it. Robert also drove school bus for twenty nine years. He retired in 1998.

Robert always put his family first. He loved his wife, children, and grandchildren very much. Tractors were also a main interest of his, from big ones to little models on the shelf. He also enjoyed gardening and going to Rollag. One time when he wasn't feeling good, we were not sure if he should go to Rollag, his

answer was, “I'm going if I have to crawl.”

He is survived by his wife, Norma; two sons, Robert Jr. (Becky) Klein, of West Fargo, ND; and Eric (Wendy) Klein, of Detroit Lakes, MN; one daughter, Valerie Teiken, of Detroit Lakes, MN; eight grandchildren; one brother, Alvin Klein; two sisters, Marty Carstenson and Teresa Young; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one granddaughter, Marlee Jean Teiken; one grandson Robert Roy Klein; four brothers and four sisters



# Remembering Bob

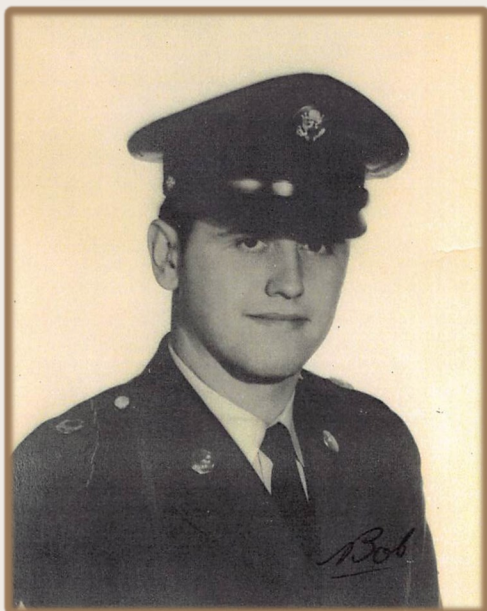
## In His Footsteps

When someone does a kindness,  
it always seems to me  
That's the way God up in Heaven  
would like us all to be.

For when we bring some pleasure  
to another human heart

We have followed in his footsteps  
and we've had a little part  
In serving Him who loves us-

For I'm very sure it's true  
That in serving those around us,  
We serve and please Him, too.



Celebrating the Life of

# Robert M. Klein Sr.

## Born

November 18, 1936  
Hammond, Wisconsin

## Died

February 16, 2022  
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

## Funeral Services

Monday-February 21, 2022-2:00 p.m.  
Seventh Day Adventist Church  
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

**Officiated by** Pastor Tyson Kahler  
**Organist** ~ Joann Strom  
**Pianist** ~ Sandy Daniels

## Pall Bearers

Robert Klein Jr.	Mathew Klein
Eric Klein	Zachary Teiken
Josh Klein	Rick Earley
Terry Teiken	

## Arrangements by

West-Kjos Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota