



Arvard Dean Grassmeyer

December 29, 1923 - February 12, 2016

Arvard Dean Grassmeyer, 92
Gibbon resident

Arvard Dean Grassmeyer, 92 of Gibbon, died Friday, February 12, 2016 at Mt. Carmel Keens Memorial Home in Kearney. Memorial services will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, February 18th at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Gibbon with the Rev. Jerry Schwarz officiating. Interment will be at Fort McPherson National Cemetery in rural Maxwell, NE.

Memorials are suggested to the Gibbon American Legion Post #310 or the Gibbon Volunteer Fire Department. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Dean was born December 29, 1923 in Riverdale, Nebraska to Frank and Ruby (Hardin) Grassmeyer. He grew up outside of Riverdale where he helped with the family farm until graduating from Riverdale High School in 1941. Dean served in the United States Navy from June of 1941 until his honorable discharge in December of 1946.

He worked many years as a heavy equipment operator for Nebraska Irrigation

Engineering Corporation and for G & S Farms. Dean also spent several years in Mississippi as a project foreman for Morrison Farms followed by many years with Sahling Kenworth.

He was a longtime member of the Gibbon American Legion Post #310 and the Kearney VFW Post #759.

Survivors include his daughters Jill Lewis of Lincoln, Jeri McKeon and Jane Smith both of Gibbon; grandchildren Tate (Kerry) Lewis, Ian Lewis, Dominic Lewis, Devin Lewis, Erika (Josh) Madison, Kylee and Lindsey McKeon, Maggie McManus, Tara (Kurtis) Venjohn and Justin (Kelli) Smith; great grandchildren Emma Dierwechter, Trevis and Brooklyn Madison, Jaci and Jordan Lewis, Riley Lewis, Stella Smith, Rylee Venjohn and Ayden Smith; brothers Dale Grassmeyer of Haysville, KS, Darrell (Lavonne) Grassmeyer of Columbus, Doyle (Virginia) Grassmeyer of Schertz, TX; sister-in-law Betty Grassmeyer of Tucson, AZ, as well as, several nieces and nephews.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Peggy Palmer and Bonnie Gipson; brother Donald Grassmeyer; grandson, Benjamin Lewis; sons-in-law, Rodney Lewis and Allan McKeon.

Cemetery Details

Fort McPherson National Cemetery

12004 State Highway 56A Spur
Maxwell, NE
(308) 582-4433

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 18. 1:00 PM (CT)

Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services - Gibbon
719 Front Street
P.O. Box 190
Gibbon, NE 68840
(308) 468-5621

Tribute Wall



“ *Arvard Dean Grassmeyer*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Fair winds and following seas sailor.
"Boatswain... Standby to pipe the side...
Shipmate's going Ashore..." Thank you Arvard
for your service to this nation. U.S. Navy, WWII.*



Harry Simpson - October 13, 2022 at 05:47 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Dean was a good neighbor, always had stories to tell. Over the past few years as his health was fading, he was very fortunate to have loving daughters that helped him. I am sure he is in heaven telling stories and having a great time with all his friends that went before him. Chuck and Gwen Campbell*

Gwen Campbell - February 17, 2016 at 08:02 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Arvard Dean Grassmeyer.*



February 17, 2016 at 04:28 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Arvard Dean Grassmeyer.*



February 17, 2016 at 10:07 AM



“ *My thoughts are with you girls....may you have comfort knowing he's in a better place.*



Linda Johnson - February 16, 2016 at 02:26 PM



“ *First, I want to express my sincerest condolences to the Grassmeyer Family. Dean was always so cheerful every time I had my truck in Sahling Kenworth when he worked there. He always had a joke, did a fantastic job when he worked on both of my rigs, I just thought the world of him. He reminded me of my Dad, quite a bit. And to see them talking together at the Gibbon landfill, it a good laugh always knew when Dean worked on them, the job would be done right! Even if it took a bit longer than normal, it was done right! ... I'll miss Dean, he was so cheerful every time we had occasion to speak, may God embrace him in the Heavens....*

Al Mayfield

Ken Mayfield - February 16, 2016 at 11:30 AM



“ My favorite " Dean" memory is when he went down to the Wood River by their house with me, Jeri, And probably Jane,...we sledded,down one bank and up the other, and he built a bonfire for us to roast weenies and marshmallows. I thought it was so cool....like we were camping. (I was actually one block from home). He'd do anything for us kids. R.I.P. Mr. Grassmeyer.

Janell Godberson Beveridge - February 15, 2016 at 08:37 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about Dean's passing...Sympathy to the girls and families...Brandt and family...

M. Brandt Godberson - February 15, 2016 at 08:11 PM