



Bobby Duncan

March 9, 1930 - September 1, 2015

Bobby E. Duncan, 85, of Kearney, passed away Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital surrounded by his loved ones.

Funeral services will be at 9:30 am Saturday at First Baptist Church in Kearney. Reverend Stan Murdoch will officiate. Burial will be in the Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 pm Friday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to First Baptist Church or the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Bobby was the first born child, born March 09, 1930 in Elm Creek Nebraska, to Ernie and Ida (Davis) Duncan. He attended school in Amherst, Nebraska.

Bobby joined the US NAVY in September of 1947 where he served on the USS Juneau during the Korean War as a Radio Operator. He served four years on the light cruiser traveling to more than 30 ports around the world.

He married Phyllis Lucille Haggard on May 12, 1951. After his discharge from the Navy

he began his 22 year career with the Union Pacific Railroad as an Office Clerk, in Kearney,

Nebraska. He was then transferred to Fremont, then Grand Island and finally Sidney, Nebraska.

After he retired from the Union Pacific railroad he moved back to Kearney.

Bobby kept very busy after retiring. He enjoyed buying and working on antique cars and remodeling houses. He also worked alongside his son Doug helping him with his marble business. Bobby always had a knack of passing on his knowledge of all these things to his children, grandchildren and even his great grandchildren; teaching them how to work on cars, fix plumbing problems with a house or just about anything that could be repaired.

Bobby was a member of American Legion Post 52 and First Baptist Church.

He loved to joke around and be ornery and always made those around him laugh and smile. He enjoyed going with his family to the races and gambling boats.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Phyllis; his daughter, Debbie Johnson; a son, Douglas Duncan; a daughter, Diana Weaver; five grandchildren, Jon, Kelly, Geoffrey and wife Linsey, Travis and Meredith and husband Matt; seven great grandchildren, Paul, Kyle, Kyler, Kelsey, Luke, Lucy and Quinn.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ernie Duncan, his mother Ida Davis, his step mother Helen Duncan and sister Donna Olson and great granddaughter Elizabeth Stegman.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 233-3244

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
info@osrfh.com
<https://www.osrfh.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 5. 9:30 AM (CT)

First Baptist
1616 West 39th Street
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ *Bobby Duncan*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *My thoughts go out to your family, as I know how important he was to all of you.*

Diane Johnson, formerly Diane Franzen

Diane Johnson - September 21, 2015 at 09:02 PM



“ *My condolence to the Bobby Duncan family. My parents, Bill & Mae Long were good friends of Ernie & Helen and we 3 boys, John, Bob, & Ron, knew Bobby from a long time ago. I just wanted to give my sympathy.*

John Long

Alexandria, VA

John Long - September 04, 2015 at 07:42 AM



“ *You're all in our thoughts and prayers! We'll dearly miss Bob! He was Grandpa Bob to our children and Little Man to Mick. We will certainly miss his joking and his laughter!*

Mick, Eileen, Emma, and Heath Jahn

Mick and Eileen Jahn - September 03, 2015 at 12:33 PM

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“ Bob was such a gift on this earth. We spent some quality time together, though short always eventful. Gambling trips and just good old visits. You'll be missed Bob but your memory will be carried on.

Peggy Stewart - September 03, 2015 at 09:01 AM

KW

“ Thinking of all the Camplin family this week. Your grandpa Bob always made me smile. He was so feisty and his laugh was contagious. He was a good man who will be missed.

Kari Wade - September 02, 2015 at 09:12 PM