



Donald Pierson

October 29, 1929 - January 14, 2012

Donald L. Pierson, 82, of Kearney died Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the St. Johns Good Samaritan Home in Kearney. Funeral Services will be 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church with the Reverend Gary Main officiating. Visitation will be held from 5-7 at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home. Interment will be at Kearney Cemetery with military honors conducted by the Offutt Airforce Honors Team in conjunction with the American Legion Post 52 and VFW Post 759. Memorials are suggested to the Good Samaritan Hospice Service or St. Johns Skilled Nursing Home. Online condolences may be submitted to www.osrfh.com. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney. Don was born October 29, 1929, in York County to Sander and Effie (Johnson) Pierson. He grew up in Hamilton county and graduated from Marquette High School in 1947. Don entered the Air Force in 1951 and was honorably discharged in 1955. He married Carol Bagley and in 1958 a daughter, Terri Lynn, was born to this union. Don and Terri moved back to Nebraska in 1961. He was united in marriage to Marcia Ellenwood on July 16, 1966 in Winner, South Dakota. Don, Terri, Marcia and her three children; Tim, Greg, and Michelle; began farming in Marquette. After farming in Marquette, the couple moved to Aurora where Don began trucking. He retired in 1996 and moved to Kearney. While in Kearney, Don enjoyed golfing at Meadowlark and playing poker with his buddies. Don was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the American Legion. He enjoyed playing

basketball, baseball, hunting and fishing. He is survived by his wife Marcia of Kearney; step-sons Tim and wife Pam Ellenwood of Funk, Greg and wife Julie Ellenwood of Hastings; daughter Terri and husband Jeff Luthy of Lincoln, NE; step daughter Michelle and husband Steve TenBensel of Minden; a sister Virginia Pierson of Lincoln; grand-children Shane and wife Kazzi Teel, Trent and Seth Ellenwood; Evan Adam and Darian Ellenwood; Tony and McKenna TenBensel; great grandchildren Connor, Tabor, and Teagen Teel. He is preceded in death by both parents.

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Pierson*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Marcia, So sorry to hear of Don's passing. You and your family are in my prayers today and in the days to come.*

Deb Hilder - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Marcia and family...we are so sorry to hear of Don's dying...we send our love and prayers for healing for your loss...please know we care and are thinking of you and yours..Don and Jerry's uncle Pete Gustafson had Effie as a common relative...Jerry and Shirley*

Jerry and Shirley Willhoft - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Marcia and family, I was so sorry to hear about Don. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Barb Sealey - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Tim, Pam, and family, My condolences on Don's passing. May God bring you comfort and strength at this difficult time. Don was a good man who loved his family.*

Karl Sherman - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

EC

“ Dear Marcia and family, We are so sorry for your loss. Don was a fine man. May you feel the nearness and comfort of God at this sad time.

Ellen and Duane Campbell - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

MO

“ Dear Terri, Jeff, Shane, Kazzi & Family May you know the peace and comfort this heartfelt message sends, "The ones we love are never gone, they live within our hearts." Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Mark & Damaris Olsen - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

LD

“ Dear Marcia and Family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you today as they have been over the past month. We thank God for your wonderful family and know you will give each other the strength that you need right now. We love you all, Lonny and Wanda

Lonny and Wanda Duennerman - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JR

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family of Don Pierson. We were so sorry to hear of his passing.

Jim & Becky Rathman - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

PS

“ Dear Pierson Family, It is with a heavy heart that we must send our condolences for a wonderful dedicated family man loved by all and especially by his close family and I'll always remember what a hard worker he was and how kind and understanding he was with people. I knew Don for 30 years and always enjoyed my time and conversations with him and I'll miss that. I always wanted to play golf with him and I regret that we never found the time to do that. It reminds me that we must live for today as we just don't know when we won't have time to put it off anymore for what we can do or enjoy today. Fondly, Paul Spady and Debbie Thomsen (Fiancee)

Paul Spady - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

JR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Don was a wonderful man. He will be missed.

Jim, Jane, Justin, Jamie Ransdell - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM