



Erwin H. Holt Jr.

July 26, 1926 - December 31, 2013

Erwin H. Holt, Jr. 87
Kearney resident

Erwin H. Holt, Jr. 87, of Kearney, died Tuesday, December 31, 2013 at the Mt. Carmel Home Keens Memorial. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held 9:00 A.M. Saturday, January 4, 2013 at the St. James Catholic Church with Rev. Joe Hannappel officiating. Interment will follow at the Kearney Cemetery with Military Rites provided by the Nebraska National Guard Honors Team in conjunction with the American Legion Post #52 and the VFW Post # 759. Visitation will be 4:00 to 7:00 P.M. Friday at the church with a vigil / prayer service beginning at 5:00 pm. Memorials are suggested to Mt. Carmel Home Keens Memorial and Kearney Lions Club. Condolences or personal reflections may be submitted at www.osrfh.com. Arrangements made by O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney.

Erwin Herbert Holt, Jr. was born July 26, 1926 in Midwest, Wyoming to Erwin and Bernice (Beech) Holt. He grew up on a ranch near Hoover, SD. Erwin was a 1944 graduate of Belle Fourche High School in Belle Fourche, SD. He enlisted in the Army in September of 1944 where he served in the Philippines. He served until his honorable discharge in September of 1946. On August 18, 1949, Erwin was united in marriage to Dorothy Hannah. Erwin was called

back into active duty in September of 1950, where he served in Alaska during the Korean Conflict, until August of 1952. The couple moved to Gordon, NE in 1960 where they owned and operated Gordon Cleaners. He was active in the Lyons Club, School Board, Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce and Knights of Columbus. Erwin retired from the National Guard in 1965. In 1975, they moved to Kearney where they owned and operated Modern Cleaners until his retirement in 1995.

Survivors include his son, Stephen Holt of Kearney; daughters, Mary Meduna and husband, Jim of Omaha, Jennifer Schroeder and husband, John of Kearney, Deborah Holt of Omaha; grandsons, John R. Schroeder, Jared Schroeder and wife, Ashley, Joshua Schroeder and wife, Holly, Spencer Meduna, Evan Meduna; 3 great grandchildren, Michael, Mozzie and Traven Schroeder; step-sister, June Pluimer of Spearfish, SD; several nieces and nephews. Erwin was preceded in death by his parents; wife; step-brother, Wally; step-sister, Bonnie and step-mother, Fern.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Vigil / Prayer Service

JAN 3. 5:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 4. 9:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Erwin H. Holt Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Steve and family, sorry for you loss. I remember many a dinner with your parents and evenings in their home. The Soukup's Bud and Judy.*

Bud Soukup - January 04, 2014 at 12:38 PM



“ *Deb, Mary, Jennifer and Steve, I have very fond memories of your Dad. I remember having chili at your house, and it was really hot! Your Dad told me that milk took away the heat, and he was right! What a wonderful, gentle man he was. Bless his soul. May you all be comforted by the memories of good times with him and Dorothy.*



Mary Carlson - January 03, 2014 at 10:19 PM



“ *Quiet Expressions was purchased for the family of Erwin H. Holt Jr..*



January 03, 2014 at 09:47 PM

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“ *Jennifer and family,*

So sorry for your loss, may God grant you the peace to know you will be together again some day. You're in our prayers.

Swanson Family

Thomas Swanson - January 03, 2014 at 12:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Erwin H. Holt Jr..*



January 03, 2014 at 09:03 AM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Erwin's death. He was always a great individual and I remember him fondly.*

Bonnie McMullen - January 02, 2014 at 02:22 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Erwin H. Holt Jr..*



January 02, 2014 at 10:57 AM