



Gary L. Branting

August 21, 1943 - March 25, 2024

Gary L. Branting, 80 of Elm Creek passed away Monday, March 25, 2024 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 29, 2024 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home, 4115 N Avenue in Kearney, with military honors provided by the Kearney American Legion Post #52 and VFW Post #759 in conjunction with the Nebraska National Guard Funeral Honors Team. The family will receive friends 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Gary was born August 21, 1943 in Central City, NE to Mervin "Silver" and Verla (Williamson) Branting. Gary grew up on the Bruning Air Base in Bruning, NE and graduated from Bruning High School in 1961. Gary proudly served in the U.S. Army from June of 1961 until his honorable discharge in May of 1964. Gary married Kathy Hollander and to this union two sons were born.

On November 17, 1995, Gary was united in marriage to Zola Maack.

Gary worked at Goodyear, Union Pacific Railroad, and the Nebraska Department of Roads as a supervisor for over 20 years until his retirement.

Gary enjoyed entertaining friends and neighbors each afternoon at his home, fishing, camping and taking road trips. He took much pride in his manicured yard. He was a member of the American Legion and VFW.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Zola Branting of Elm Creek; children, Randall "Scott" Branting of Holdrege and Richard (Shannon) Branting of Lincoln, Susan (Jarrod) Bluel of Kearney and Eric Maack of Kearney; grandchildren, Carson Branting, Kristian (Luis) Arevalo, Kaleb Staton, Hunter Goodwin; great grandchildren, Amelie and Anastacia and Justin; sister, Donna (Gary) Stubbendeck of Lincoln; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Richard and John, and sister Peggy.

Interment will occur at a later date at Elm Creek Cemetery.

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Previous Events

Family receiving friends

MAR **28**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

GF

“ Geoff, Crystal, and family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Gary L. Branting.



Geoff, Crystal, and family - March 28, 2024 at 12:59 PM

YF

“ Your SE Time and Attendance Team Family purchased the *Emerald Garden Basket* for the family of Gary L. Branting.



Your SE Time and Attendance Team Family - March 28, 2024 at 09:46 AM

YF

“ Your SE Time and Attendance Team Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary L. Branting.

Your SE Time and Attendance Team Family - March 28, 2024 at 09:46 AM

CT

“ Colorado Thompson's purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Gary L. Branting.



Colorado Thompson's - March 27, 2024 at 06:56 PM

TD

“ *Tim and Kathy Dettmann purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Gary L. Branting.*



Tim and Kathy Dettmann - March 27, 2024 at 04:51 PM

MT

“ *Thanks my old friend neighbor for all the trips meals chocolate drawer in garage lots of good memories Marv Thompson*

Marvin Thompson - March 27, 2024 at 03:05 PM

BC

“ *Bruce and Sheryl Cochran purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Gary L. Branting.*



Bruce and Sheryl Cochran - March 26, 2024 at 09:07 PM