



Glenn Thompson

May 21, 1929 - January 22, 2012

Glenn E. Thompson, age 82, of Holdrege, NE died Sunday, January 22nd, 2012 at Holdrege Memorial Homes. Memorial services will be at the First United Methodist Church in Holdrege on Wednesday, January 25th at 10:30 a.m. with the Reverend Kirwin Stewart officiating. Interment and military honors will follow at 2:30 PM at Fort McPherson National Cemetery near Maxwell, Nebraska. Memorials are suggested to Phelps County Foundation. On-line condolences may be submitted to osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney is in charge of arrangements. Glenn was born on May 21, 1929 in Grand Island, Nebraska to Victor and Aline (Plank) Thompson. In his younger years, Glenn enjoyed hunting and fishing with his father and grandfather. He also tap danced professionally. He graduated from the University of Nebraska at Kearney with honors in English and Speech. Glenn was a member of Mortar Board, a National Honorary Society, Zi Phi and served as editor of the University newspaper. During college, he was a program director and announcer for KGFW Radio in Kearney. Glenn served in the Air Force during the Korean War and was stationed at Chicago O'Hare. He was honorably discharged on July 30, 1955. Glenn married his college sweetheart, Ardelle Couton, in 1951 in Loup City, Nebraska, after which the couple lived in Chicago, Scottsbluff, Grand Island and Holdrege. Glenn worked for Prudential Insurance for many years as an agent and later, a manager. In later years, he and Ardelle founded the Thompson Agency, an advertising and multi media production company. Glenn and Ardelle were

partners in both business and in life. Glenn felt a strong connection to the community and donated countless hours of service to the Holdrege Public Library, the Tassle, the Lions Club, and the Camp Atlanta P.O.W. display at the Prairie Museum. He and Ardelle travelled to Germany and around the US to interview former P.O.W.'s and US military personnel who had served at Camp Atlanta. This research was the basis for the book, Prisoners on the Plains, as well as the Camp Atlanta Celebration held in 1993. Glenn also wrote the programs and announced every Holdrege High School Band half-time performance for many years. He and Ardelle helped raise funds and were sponsors on several band trips, including publicity for these trips. He produced three programs for Nebraska Humanities, which were presented across the state. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, painting, photography and writing. Glenn published two (2) books, Prisoners on the Plains and Cars I Have Owned and Other Financial Disasters, and numerous articles for newspapers and magazines. Glenn is survived by his wife, Ardelle; daughters Vicki and her husband, Al Hohlfeld of Alma, Nebraska, Dawn Bruhn of Phoenix, Arizona and Lori and her husband, Bart Dewing of Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Grandchildren Adam and his wife, Heather Hohlfeld, Travis Hohlfeld, Jesse and his wife Justine Dewing, Tyler Dewing and Brooke Dewing, Derek and his wife Mayra Bruhn, and Dana Bruhn; and Great Grandchildren Ava Hohlfeld and Gavin Bruhn. He was preceded in death by his parents

Tribute Wall



“ Glenn Thompson

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ The angels are rejoicing and the tears are flowing in Texas for my friend and mentor in many areas of life. You are missed by many friends and family and the impact that you had and still have on their lives. Lord I ask you to protect and comfort Ardelle, the girls and their families as we glory in the time we had with you. Until we meet again in eternal glory, I thank you for our time here. I speak on behalf of the thousands that you touched "We love and miss you Glenn - fatherly friend, businessman, teacher, encourager and confidant" A voice of Nebraka

Curtis Wilke - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ So sorry for your loss , Vicki and Al and Family. Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. Sincerely, Tim and Laura Herbert

Tim and Laura Herbert - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ My Dear Friends, I'm so sorry for Glenn's passing. This man made a difference in my life and I love him for that! When I think of the good guys from Holdrege, NE Glenn is at the top of the list. Talk about involved - Glenn could have been Mr. Holdrege with all the things he did for the community. I will always treasure his memory and I wish I could thank him one last time for all he did for us - especially his involvement with the HHS Marching Band. Bless him!

Rich Carlson - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *An old dancing partner, I am saddened to learn of Glenn's passing. May you rejoice in the joys you shared throughout his life. My condolences and sorrow, Jackie Rosenlof*

Jackie Hoss Rosenlof - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *We pray you will be strengthened by God's grace as you celebrate and grieve Glenn's passing.*

Don R and Peggy Johnston - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM