



James Drake

September 19, 1931 - September 5, 2012

James D. Drake, 80, of Kearney died Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at St. Luke's Good Samaritan Village. A graveside memorial service will be held at 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 8 at the Litchfield Cemetery with Rev. Gary Main officiating. There will be no visitation. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Online condolences or personal reflections may be submitted at osrfh.com. O'Brien - Straatmann - Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements. He was born September 19, 1931 in Broken Bow, NE to Roland and Dorothy (Archer) Drake and graduated from Thedford High School in 1949. On January 18, 1953, he married Fay Ward in Berwyn. They lived in Berwyn, Broken Bow and Kearney. Jim worked on a farm, at a creamery and at Rockwell for 13 years. He was the first employee hired at Eaton Corporation. He retired in 1992 and suffered a stroke in 1999. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Kearney and a past member of the Berwyn Fire Department. Survivors include his wife, Fay of Kearney; son, James and wife Mindy of Kearney; daughter, Jolene Drake of Kearney; brothers, Larry of North Dakota, Rollie and Illene of Axtell and Sherril and Kathy of Kearney; grandchildren, Gypsy, Heather, Jacoby and Dylan; great grandchildren, Myka, Jaxson, Jaela and Caidynn; several nieces and nephews; and special aunt, Shirley of Broken Bow. He was preceded in death by his parents and 2 infant brothers.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Drake*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Sorry to hear about your sadness. you are in our thoughts and prayers*

Becky, Justine, Dennis - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *I would like to send my condolences to the family during this grievous time. May the God of all comfort soothe your hearts with his promise in the Holy Scriptures of a future resurrection. Jesus said: "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out!" Until this promise becomes a reality may you draw as close as possible to God for he cares for you.--John 5:28, 29*

A. Perry - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *James, so sorry to hear of your father's passing. I remember him from our days at Kenwood. Remember the good times!*

Dan Reese - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Jolene and Family You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Lisa Fisher - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM