



Mitchell "Mike" H. Stauffer

November 12, 1921 - November 29, 2014

Mitchell "Mike" Stauffer, 93, of Kearney died Saturday, November 29, 2014 at the Good Samaritan St. John's Center in Kearney. Memorial services will be 11:00 A.M., Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. Military honors will be conducted by the Coast Guard Honors team in conjunction with the American Legion Post 52 and VFW Post 759 following the service. Interment will be at a later date in the Fort McPherson National Cemetery near Maxwell. Memorials are suggested to M&H Stauffer Scholarship at UNK. Online condolences may be submitted to www.osrfh.com. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Mitchell was born November 12, 1921 to Amos and Beulah (Mitchell) Stauffer in Deshler, Nebraska. When Mitchell was two, his mother died and he lived for several years with his paternal grandmother in Milford. Later his father remarried, Clara Lynn, and both Mitchell and his sister joined the family in Carol, NE. He grew up in Grand Island and graduated from Grand Island High School in 1939. Mike attended UNL and later joined the Coast Guard in 1942 and served during WWII. He was honorably discharged on Christmas Day in 1944. He was united in marriage to Helen Winter on March 30, 1944 in Alameda, CA at the Alameda Naval Air Station. After which the couple moved to Grand Island where he had a dairy farm. After a severe fall, in 1971, he

retired from farming and moved to Kearney.

He was a member of the American Legion, past Elk Member, member of Kiwanis, and Fort Kearney Lions Club. He loved horseback riding and raising horses; he traveled extensively packing and trail riding through the Tetons and Arizona.

He is survived by his wife of Kearney; son, Robin (Carol Hamley) Stauffer of Fremont, NE; daughters, Susan (James) Toth of Edwardsburg, Michigan, Sally Vifquain of Wahoo, NE, Melody (Rodney) Chvatal of Colon, NE; sister, Patricia McLaughlin of Lincoln; 11 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by both parents; infant son, Karl Alan.

Cemetery Details

Fort McPherson National Cemetery

12004 State Highway 56A Spur
Maxwell, NE
(308) 582-4433

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
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Kearney, NE 68847
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Tribute Wall



“ *Mitchell "Mike" H. Stauffer*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Dear Helen, Suzie, Sally, Robin and Melody,
I am so sorry for your loss. I remember Uncle Mike as a cheerful man who was always kind to me as a child. I have warm memories of your farm, including your dad's milk barn and Aunt Helen's sunny kitchen, cherry soup and lunch on the screened porch. And a wonderful horseback riding trip to Fort Robinson one summer. My deepest condolences on Mike's passing. -- Mary Winter, Denver*

Mary Winter - December 09, 2014 at 11:32 PM



“ *We just read about Mike's passing today in the Hub. Our hearts go out to all of the family in the loss of such a caring and loving man. I will always remember the great stories he used to tell about his horses and his rides. His smile was always so contagious!
Susanne Bloomfield*

Susanne Bloomfield - December 05, 2014 at 07:16 PM

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“ *Helen and family,
So sorry to read of Mike's death. Our sympathy and prayers are
with your family.
Cherish the good times we shared at District 4 and playing in your
home.
Sincerely,
Dorothy Guenther Bremer
75137 Road 429
Lexington, Nebraska*

Dorothy Guenther Bremer - December 02, 2014 at 11:10 AM

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“ *Melody and Family,
Lean on your Faith, Family, and Friends during this difficult time.

Mark Larson
North Platte*

Mark Larson - December 01, 2014 at 07:47 PM