



Ralph Brown

October 17, 1923 - September 3, 2010

Ralph W. Brown of Kearney and formerly of Sumner, died Friday, September 03, 2010 at St. Luke's Good Samaritan Center in Kearney . Funeral services will be 10:30 AM, Wednesday, September 8 at United Church , East Campus in Sumner with the Rev. Ken Hutson officiating. Interment with military honors will be at the Sumner Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 PM Tuesday September 7 at O'Brien-Straatmann Funeral Home in Kearney. Memorial can be made out to the Make a Wish Foundation, St Lukes Good Samaritan Center, Sumner Alumni Scholarship. Online condolences or personal reflections may be submitted at osafh.com. O'Brien - Straatmann Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements. He was born on October 17, 1923 to William and Sophie (Snurr) Brown. He grew up in Sumner and graduated high school from there in 1941. Mac entered the U.S. Army in 1943 and served during WWII. He was honorably discharged in January of 1946. He was united in marriage to Irma Barta on December 3, 1949. She passed away August of 1998. They farmed his parents land until 1952 and then worked on a ranch north of Sumner. He was a member of the VFW of Lexington and a former member of the Eagles. He liked to play cards and garden. However, his greatest pride and love was with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Survivors include his son David Brown and wife Cindy of Kearney; daughters Diana Dodd of Gibbon, Denise Rodenbaugh of Kearney and Dixie Journey and fiance Tobin of Kearney; sister Ines Cunningham of Lincoln; 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in

death by his wife, his parents, 3 brothers Charles, Robert and Russell Brown,
2 sisters Agnes and Dawn Cunningham.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph Brown*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I miss you so much grandpa. Your laughter rings through my ears. How blessed we all are to have such a great man assist in bringing us up and encouraging us. Jericca and I have treasured our time with you and you have left such an huge mark on our lives. I love you.*

Chelle - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *I'm so sad to have recieved this news... Mac was an amazing man, He will be greatly missed!!! The best memories where always every 4 of July... "Rest in Peace Mac" All my love, Kamie*

Kamie Bierman - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Diana and family, We were sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you Wednesday and through coming days.*

Marilee (Karlberg) and Dale Kabes - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Uncle Mac, you will be greatly missed. I still remember you and Erma coming over to Hawaii for my wedding 22 years ago. He was a very loving man that was totally dedicated to his family. Thanks for the memories. Doug and Family*

Doug Brown - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM