



Rex Arnold Steinbrink

September 23, 1930 - January 17, 2025

Rex Arnold Steinbrink, 94 of Kearney passed away Friday, January 17, 2025 at the Central Nebraska Veterans Home in Kearney. Visitation will be held 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 23, 2025 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. Graveside services will be 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 24, 2025 at Fort McPherson National Cemetery near Maxwell, NE with military honors by the U.S. Navy Funeral Honors Team and North Platte Honors Team.

Rex was born September 23, 1930 in Eustis, Nebraska to George and Ethel (Taylor) Steinbrink. He attended country school south of Eustis and later Loomis High School, graduating with the class of 1949. Rex proudly served in the U.S. Navy from June of 1951 until his honorable discharge in May of 1955. On March 21, 1953, Rex was united in marriage to Twyla Jordan at the United Methodist Church in Kearney. The union was blessed with seven children. In 1961, the family moved to the Trenton, NE community where Rex worked at the elevator and later in seed and feed sales. His passion was restoring antique horse-drawn wagons and buggies.

Those left to celebrate his life include his children, Connie (Tom) Bryant of Wayne, OK, Diane Dailey (Mark Martin) of Chattanooga, TN, son in law, Richard Higley of Grand Junction, CO; Rodney (Kim) Steinbrink of Scott City, KS, Carol (Rick) Brown of Kearney, Richard (Judy) Steinbrink of Garden City,

KS, and Larry (Kathy) Steinbrink of North Platte, NE; brother, Paul Steinbrink of Kearney; sister in law, Jean Jordan of Lincoln, NE; 23 grandchildren; 37 great grandchildren; and a host of extended family members and dear friends.

Rex was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Twyla Steinbrink; daughter, Janet Higley; daughter in law, Bonnie Steinbrink; son in law, Kurt Dailey; and great grandson, Quinlan Rex Stevens; great great grandson Oliver Forbes; brothers and their spouses, Lloyd (June) Steinbrink, Eldon (Pauline) Steinbrink, Roger Steinbrink; sisters and spouses Betty (Pat) Klepper and Thelma (Bill) Schultz; sister in law, Minnette Steinbrink.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Trenton United Methodist Church and Central Nebraska Veterans' Home care of jessica.modlin@nebraska.gov. Online condolences may be shared at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Cemetery Details

Fort McPherson National Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 23. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
info@osrfh.com
<https://www.osrfh.com>

Graveside Service

JAN 24. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LK

“ Carol n family, my deepest condolences! I absolutely loved working/caring/helping him n your mom. Oh the laughs we would have together about life n loved learning about their life n adventures!! Rex was the absolute most caring n kind person ever!! I lost track of where he moved. If I knew he was in Kearney I would have paid several visits when visiting my mom there!! I bet he was looking forward to meeting Twyla, the love of his life again !! I'm blessed to have met n shared wonderful memories together!! I'll never forget the practical jokes he played !! Sending love, prayers n hugs to all!! Leila Koetter lkoetter@hotmail.com



Leila Koetter - February 07, 2025 at 07:23 PM

JS

“ Message from the past Loomis NE. I married one of the Hueftle boys who also migrated to Loomis from Eustis and were friends of the Steinbrink families. During the early years Rex and Twyla along with other couples Bob Linder, Paige Freburg, Bill Billeter and Eldon Hueftle and my husband Ron Hueftle and all of our kids, most had three by then. We would all gather at one farm place for cook outs and fireworks on the 4th of July. This memory dates to the early sixties so maybe you don't remember. there was a lot more kids at those gatherings than adults .May this memory bring a smile to you. Rex and Twyla lived a good life and left a legacy with their wonderful family.

Jacque Hueftle Stroup - January 24, 2025 at 03:08 PM

CB

I do remember all the names, maybe not the actual cook outs, and yes did bring smile to me. I'm oldest daughter of Rex and Twyla, Connie. Mom and Dad did leave a great legacy with family. Thank you so much!

connie bryant - January 26, 2025 at 07:03 PM

RE

“ Rita erickson purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Rex Arnold Steinbrink.



Rita erickson - January 23, 2025 at 10:24 AM

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“ Rita erickson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rex Arnold Steinbrink.

Rita erickson - January 23, 2025 at 10:24 AM

TF

“ The Galloway Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Rex Arnold Steinbrink.



The Galloway Family - January 22, 2025 at 10:53 AM

TF

“ *The Fredrickson families purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Rex Arnold Steinbrink.*



The Fredrickson families - January 21, 2025 at 09:15 AM

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“ *The Fredrickson families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rex Arnold Steinbrink.*

The Fredrickson families - January 21, 2025 at 09:15 AM

RF

“ I (Randy Fredrickson) contacted Twyla and Rex when my kids were alot younger. "Tanya, Rachael, and Ross". I asked if we came to Trenton could we get a ride on one of Rex's covered wagons. I was between marriages at the time and wanted to give my kids a family vacation. They were very welcoming. As i've noticed since, a large family gathering materialized. I was amazed at the time not knowing how this particular family rallys together. The plan was to ride the wagon or wagons I don't remember the next day to camp overnight. That night there was a bad storm, that blew down all the tents in the back yard, which left everyone inside on the floor trying to sleep and dry out.

That changed our plans for the next day and we did get the wagon rides complete with the girls all having bonnets to dress up in. I had a picture of my Mom Margaret wearing the bonnet around the house for decades but has been lost to time. I understand my sister Susan has a copy.

Great memories for my kids. Tanya mentioned she remembered Rex driving the wagon, and that he seemed like such a real cowboy to her. Rachael said that trip was a part of her core childhood memories and both Twyla and Rex were a big part of it. Ross was the youngest but it ment a lot to him, even tried to figure out how to make it to the funeral.

Thanks for the amazing memories.

Randy Fredrickson - January 20, 2025 at 11:23 PM

FR

“ Faith Rousselle purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Rex Arnold
Steinbrink.



Faith Rousselle - January 20, 2025 at 10:55 AM

JW

“ Rex was a wonderful gentleman to me! Despite having his own walker and oxygen tubing, he would pull out my chair, share his hot chocolate and Oreo cookies. I'll never look at Oreo cookies without thinking of My Lil Man, Rex. It was my honor to care for him the last several months. I'm sad to say good bye so soon!!! He holds a special place in my heart and life!!! Jeanne Wilke MSN RN Tabitha Hospice

Jeanne Wilke - January 19, 2025 at 03:50 PM

KB

“ Carol and family, I always liked your dad. He reminded me of my dad, cowboy hat, cowboy boots, and a mustache. Dads are pretty special! May he rest in peace.

Kathy Bieker - January 19, 2025 at 11:33 AM