

## Robert "Bob" Decker

February 12, 1930 - October 4, 2020

Robert L. "Bob" Decker, 90 of Kearney passed away Sunday, October 4, 2020 at his home surrounded by family. Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 9, 2020 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney with Pastor John Gosswein officiating.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Robert (Bob) Lincoln Decker was born February 12, 1930 in North Platte, NE to John M. and Irma M. (Hoy) Decker. He grew up in North Platte and graduating from North Platte High School in 1949. Bob enlisted in the Nebraska National Guard in 1947 in North Platte. He proudly served for 18 years reaching the rank of Master Sergeant. On October 15, 1950, he was united in marriage to Virginia McFarland at the First Christian Church in North Platte. The couple would have celebrated 70 years of marriage later this month.

Bob worked as a clerk at Lyons' IGA in North Platte and then at Heinz Co. for a short while before returning to Lyons' IGA. About a year later, he went to work full-time for the Nebraska National Guard as an administrative assistant for a few years. He returned to Lyons' IGA as assistant manager. Bob later

worked at Coca-Cola Foods Division for several years before retiring in 1990. Bob continued to sell coffee for different companies before fully retiring in 1993.

Bob loved to fish, hunt, camp, gardening and bird watching. In his younger years, he and Virginia loved to dance.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Virginia Decker of Kearney; children, John (Valarie) Decker of Ft. Lupton, CO, Connie Decker Ullman of Kearney and Linda Albrecht of Kearney; grandchildren, Robert Decker, Sally (Ben) Swift, Sarah (Adam) Still, MaryAnn (Kevin) Curtis, Timothy (Heather) Ullman, Gregory Ullman, Matthew (Mindy) Ullman, Stacia Zimmerman, Paula (Brad) Kraft, Karen (Kasey) Frye, Amy Kroll; 39 great grandchildren; sister, Shirley Taylor of North Platte; several nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Claire Altizer; brother, Walter Decker; son-in-law, Michael Albrecht; grandsons, Kenneth Albrecht and Jesse Decker.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

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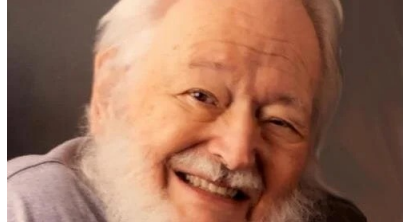
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# Tribute Wall



“ O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert "Bob" Decker



O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations - October 13, 2020 at 03:49 PM



“ Robert "Bob" Decker

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Norman Oliphant - October 10, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ I cherish the time spent with Bob and Virginia at Mother Hull. Great people. My deepest condolences to the family. May God comfort you all in this trying time. Love, Sheila Lindenstein

Sheila Lindenstein - October 10, 2020 at 02:57 PM

MS

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of your husband, father and grandfather. I use to work with Virginia at GSH many years ago.... May the many memories bring you comfort.

MaryAnn Spracklen - October 07, 2020 at 02:47 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" Decker.



October 07, 2020 at 11:12 AM

MW

“ It's interesting when you are drawn to an obituary simply by the person's picture. Not knowing Bob, there was still something for me to read about his life here on earth. I found it in his children, John I used to work with you at Hinky Dinky in Holdrege when you ran the meat department. To this day I still fondly remember the sign I made for you where I misspelled Meat "Shoppe" to Meat "Shoppoppe" or something along those line.



I just wanted to reach out and wish the best for you, Valerie and your family now and in the days ahead. It's wonderful that you were able to have your Dad here for so many years of your lives. Take care and stay safe.

Myrl and Cyndy (Wilke) Wieland - October 07, 2020 at 10:06 AM

GW

*I thought he was the Bob Decker I worked for in Sidney at Deckers Market ?? Looked Like the same guy My sympathy to the family*

**Gaila Wisdom** - October 07, 2020 at 08:20 PM



“ *Bob will be missed by many. He always had a good fishing story to tell. Virginia and family you are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Ed Mach*

**Bill Bradley** - October 07, 2020 at 05:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" Decker.*



October 06, 2020 at 03:10 PM



“ *Lou & Virginia Prchal purchased the Ghirardelli Galore for the family of Robert "Bob" Decker.*



**Lou & Virginia Prchal** - October 06, 2020 at 12:42 PM



“ *Connie and extended family, so sorry for the loss you are enduring. May your dad Rest In Peace and May you have many memories to cherish.*

**Pat Pennington** - October 06, 2020 at 09:36 AM