



## Robert "Bob" D. Guge

September 28, 1929 - November 12, 2015

Robert D. "Bob" Guge, 86  
Kearney resident

Robert D. "Bob" Guge, 86, of Kearney, died Thursday, November 12, 2015 at the Grand Island VA Hospital. Memorial services will be held 10:30 am Tuesday, November 17th at the Kearney First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Gary Main officiating. Interment will follow at Kearney cemetery. Military honors will be provided by the American Legion #52 and VFW #759 in conjunction with Nebraska National Guard Honors Team.

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

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Bob was born Sept. 28, 1929, in Nevada, Iowa, to Levi and Grace (Anderson) Guge. He graduated from Alton (Kan.) High School in 1948. He served in the U.S. Army 498th Aviation Engineers Battalion from 1951 to 1953, engineering airfields and aviation facilities at Army bases throughout the South.

Bob married Norma Smith on June 12, 1955, in Ansley. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this June. He was elected to five terms as Buffalo

County assessor from 1975 to 1995.

Bob was a member of First United Methodist Church and a longtime member of the church's Together Class. He served on the board of directors for Trails and Rails Museum, volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and was a former Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 136. Bob was a stained glass artist and a carpenter who gave away hundreds of wooden cross necklaces that he crafted. He enjoyed spending time with friends and family and was a devoted Husker fan.

Bob is survived by his wife, Norma of Kearney; sons, Donn Guge and wife Janet of Franklin and Dennis Guge of Phoenix; grandson, Colin Guge of Kearney; sister, Pauline Simms of Osborne, Kan.; and sister, Bettie Couse of San Jacinto, Calif.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, John Rothwell, Charles Rothwell, Raymond Rothwell, Donald Rothwell and Lee Roy Guge; and sisters, Myrtle Rothwell and Thelma Guge.

Memorials are suggested to First United Methodist Church, Trails and Rails Museum and Boy Scout Troop 136.

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# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 233-3244

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
4500 Linden Drive  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert "Bob" D. Guge*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Let you know Norma and family I am out of town and Thinking of you today. You are in my prayers and God will help you through the difficult time. Just keep your faith and you will be reward. Sincerely  
Arlene Patsios*

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