



## Vernon Douglas Piehl

October 24, 1943 - November 9, 2025

Vernon Douglas Piehl, 82 of Gibbon passed away Sunday, November 9, 2025 at St. Luke's Good Samaritan Home in Kearney. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Vernon was born October 24, 1943 in Arlington, SD to Vernon G. and Leona L. (York) Piehl. He was raised in Grand Island, NE and attended Grand Island Public Schools. On July 21, 1962, Vernon was united in marriage to Joyce McMullen. The marriage was blessed with 4 children. Vernon proudly served in the U.S. Navy from 1962 until his honorable discharge in 1964. The family made their home in Gibbon, NE where he worked for the railroad for over 30 years.

Vernon was a talented mechanic and enjoyed tinkering in his garage. He was an avid Husker Football and Volleyball fan. He also enjoyed watching NASCAR on Sunday afternoons.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Joyce Piehl of Gibbon; children, John (Tammy) Piehl of St. Libory, NE, Jerry Piehl of Grand Island, NE, Jennifer Piehl of Kearney, and Jeanette (Shannon) Slagle of Gibbon; 6 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; sister, Joan Aguilar of Las Vegas, NV; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Vernon was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Carolyn (Jerry) Helm; brother-in-law, Tony Aguilar.

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.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Piehl family, sorry for your loss, I got to know Vern and John during our years at Union Pacific. Vern was a very good person, he will be missed. Your in our prayers.*

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**Johnny Santos** - November 16, 2025 at 09:22 AM

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“ *Joyce and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. Vern was a special person. Keeping u in prayer.*

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**Kathy Pierce** - November 12, 2025 at 12:26 AM