



Donald D. Ruppert

December 25, 1938 - April 26, 2015

PIERCE — Services for Donald D. Ruppert, 76, of Pierce will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierce with private family burial in Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery in Norfolk. The Rev. Keith Rezac will officiate. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Thursday at Stonacek Memorial Chapel in Pierce with a 7 p.m. rosary. Military rites will be by Tomek-Otto Post 72 American Legion and United States Marine Corps Honors Guard. He died Sunday, April 26, 2015, at Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk. He was born Dec. 25, 1938, in Columbus, son of Leo V. and Clara H. (Greger) Ruppert. He attended Norfolk Catholic High School. He served in the U.S. Marines from July 1, 1957, to June 14, 1961. He married Mary Miller on Sept. 6, 1959, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Norfolk. After marriage they lived in Norfolk until they moved their family to the Pierce area in 1974. He worked for Midwestern Beef Company for 23 years until starting the family business, R & S Well, from 1980 to 1993, when Don retired and sold the business to their son, James. He resided in Pierce until his death. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Pierce, was a weather spotter for the city of Pierce and was a member of the Pierce Zoning Commission. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved his hunting, fishing, boating and camping. He also served as scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts when his boys were young. He helped sponsor and mentor AA participants and frequented the jail for anyone reaching out for help. Don had a quick sense of humor and loved visiting and joking with others. He loved the beach and all the travels to Florida with his

wife. Survivors include three sons, Harold "Butch" and wife Pat Ruppert of Sorrento, La., James and wife Stephanie Ruppert of Pierce, Adam and wife Anna Ruppert of Norfolk; 11 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Bonnie Geary; and three nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents; two brothers, Gerald and Harold Ruppert; his wife, Mary; and brother-in-law Willie Geary. Music will be by organist Celine Fehringer and St. Joseph's Church Choir with hymns "On Eagle's Wings," "You Raise Me Up," "Blest Are They," "Amazing Grace" and "How Great Thou Art." Casket bearers will be Jerry Thackston, Rick Eberhart, Carl Martinson, Tex Nathan and Steve Dolesh. Honorary casket bearers will be grandchildren Echo Ruppert, Blake Ruppert, Mikaela Anglin, Katlin Ruppert, Kolin Ruppert, Shelsie Ruppert, Montana Ruppert, Cassandra Barger, Zach Ruppert and Seth Ruppert. Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Memorial Chapel - Pierce
403 West Main Street
Pierce, NE 68767
(402) 329-4270
stonacekmemorialchapel@hotmail.com
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Rosary

APR 30. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 1. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church - Pierce
118 Willow St.
Pierce, NE 68767

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald D. Ruppert*

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