



Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan

November 13, 1947 - June 18, 2025

RANDOLPH – Funeral Mass for Eugene F. “Gene” Sullivan, 77, of Randolph, will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, June 26, 2025 at the St. Jane Frances De Chantal Catholic Church in Randolph. Father Kevin Vogel and Deacon Doug Tunink will be officiating the service. Interment will be held at the parish cemetery, rural Randolph. Visitation will be 5:00-7:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 25, also at St. Frances Catholic Church with a Vigil service beginning at 7:00 p.m. Military rites will be conducted by the V.F.W. Alvin Kessler Post #5545, American Legion Post #113, and the United States Army Honor Guard. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

“You Can Only Be So Cool”

The adventure all started for John and Alice (Hillen) Sullivan on November 13, 1947 in the delivery room of St. Vincent’s hospital in Sioux City, IA. Gene Sullivan a beloved husband, father, brother, and friend, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on his farm he had such pride in building throughout his life on Wednesday, June 18, 2025. Gene’s life was marked by adventure and excitement from fond memories of growing up in Northeast Nebraska in a family full of boys (John Jr., Rich, Gene, Ronnie), giving his mother a true run for her money. The speed of life did not stop there, graduating from St. Frances Catholic School in Randolph on May 20th to joining the Army leaving for Fort Leonard Wood Missouri for Basic Training by

June 5, 1967.

The biggest, and what has been coined the best decision he ever made was his marriage to Jo (Joanne Krohn) of Osmond on February 12, 1972 at St. Frances de Chantal Catholic Church in Randolph. Gene and Jo were blessed with seven children, 15 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, and counting, in their 53 years of absolute bliss: Mark and his wife Robin of Brainard, Stacy of Norfolk, Nick of Belden, Shawn and his wife Kate of Omaha, Casey and his wife Kristy of Tampa, FL, Britni and her husband Matt of Salt Lake City, UT, and Brandi and her partner Haley of Omaha. Gene was deeply involved in farming and took great pride in his work, which included raising hogs and starting Sullivan Crop Insurance Services, a successful crop insurance agency in the tri-state area. His dedication to helping farmers succeed was a testament to his selfless service and commitment to the community.

His ideation was one that could have rivaled Steve Jobs. He loved to read, and even in his final days continued to say “If something doesn’t sound right, read the government documents about it yourself. Ask questions, and fight for how it should be.” He had a constant drive and could envision everything from a new remodeling project to a heck of a party with all of the details mapped out. Gene's life was filled with many cherished memories, from his love of surprise parties for Jo, to family trips to Disneyland and road trips throughout all of the US. “Get in the truck, let’s go see the world.”

He was known for his humor, often sharing jokes about his brothers, his military service, meeting Jo, his wedding day, and the adventures of raising such a large family. His children will continue to echo his many, many signature sayings they have heard throughout their lives as a testament to his wits.

Gene's legacy is one of love, laughter, and resilience. He faced life's

challenges with determination, never-ever-giving up, even in the most difficult times. His family fondly remembers his ability to bring joy and his unwavering support for those he loved. Gene will be dearly missed by his wife Jo, their children, his brother Rich, and all who knew him. His spirit will live on in the hearts of his family and friends. Nebraska land, born on it, toiled from it, and now gets to rest in it. God bless America.

Gene is preceded in death by his parents John and Alice Sullivan, his brothers, John Jr. of Randolph and Ronnie of Norfolk. His parents-in-law, Ray and Dorothy Krohn of Osmond.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Cemetery - Rural Randolph

Rural Randolph
Randolph, NE 68771

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church - Randolph
402 North Bridge Street
Randolph, NE 68771

Vigil Service

JUN **25**. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church - Randolph
402 North Bridge Street
Randolph, NE 68771

Funeral Mass

JUN **26**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church - Randolph
402 North Bridge Street
Randolph, NE 68771

Tribute Wall

TC

“ *Top C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*

Top C. - June 26, 2025 at 09:49 AM

NS

“ *Nick and Kristina Sullivan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*



Nick and Kristina Sullivan - June 25, 2025 at 03:10 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*



June 25, 2025 at 02:18 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*



June 24, 2025 at 07:45 PM

EB

“ Ellen B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.

Ellen B. - June 24, 2025 at 04:21 PM

NC

“ NCOA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.

NCOA - June 23, 2025 at 09:39 PM

NC

“ NCOA purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.



NCOA - June 23, 2025 at 09:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.

June 23, 2025 at 09:28 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.



June 23, 2025 at 09:28 PM

UF

“ *USSOCOM J7 Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*

USSOCOM J7 Family - June 23, 2025 at 11:07 AM

UF

“ *USSOCOM J7 Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*



USSOCOM J7 Family - June 23, 2025 at 11:07 AM

BT

“ *Bogle's & Taake's purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*



Bogle's & Taake's - June 21, 2025 at 11:24 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.*

June 21, 2025 at 10:28 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.



June 21, 2025 at 10:28 PM



“ We have had some pretty cool tractors in our shed, none any cooler than the one that is here for the next few days. And definitely never a better owner. We are honored to have it here. Gene leaves an awesome legacy. I have never known a more patriotic and “proud to be an American” family! We owe a debt of appreciation to those who serve to keep our freedom. May Gene rest in peace, and may all of his family rest assured that he is on his way to a better place.



mark - June 21, 2025 at 06:59 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.



June 21, 2025 at 04:47 PM

PF

“ Paul and Karen Mooney and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Eugene "Gene" F. Sullivan.



Paul and Karen Mooney and family - June 20, 2025 at 10:55 PM

BS

“ 1 file added to the album Gene Sullivan



Brandi Sullivan - June 20, 2025 at 12:44 PM

HK

Jo, I was so sorry to hear this. Thinking and praying for you and your family!!

Hattie Kumm - June 20, 2025 at 09:17 PM