



## Frederick "John" Kruid

July 10, 1937 - October 1, 2017

NORFOLK -- Funeral service for John Kruid, 80, of Norfolk will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, October 9, 2017 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Norfolk with Pastor Lee Weander officiating. Interment will be at the Prospect Hill Cemetery, Norfolk. Visitation will be 4:00-7:00 p.m., Sunday at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. John died Sunday, October 1, 2017 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Frederick John Kruid was born July 10, 1937 to Henry and Fannie (VanDieren) Kruid on a farm near Archer, Iowa. He was raised on a farm near Hudson, South Dakota and attended rural schools in Paulina, Iowa and Hudson, South Dakota.

He married Emilene Schoep on October 19, 1957. John farmed near Sioux Center, Iowa and then went into the animal health business until 1976 when he moved to Madison, Nebraska to work for Pax Steel Products selling livestock feeding equipment. He worked for this company for 40 years and enjoyed it. He also owned and operated Madison Farm Supply, Madison, Nebraska and Pax Equipment and Farm Supply in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. On May 28, 1983 John was united in marriage to LaVonne (Schwanke) Johnson in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. They made their home on an acreage in Madison, Nebraska where they enjoyed raising and showing quarter horses. In 2008 they moved to Norfolk, Nebraska, where they currently reside. He was a member of Madison County Agriculture Society from 1987 to 2009,

becoming its President in 1997.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Madison, where he served on the Stewardship Board, Trustee and Elder. He also was a long time board member of the Madison Chamber of Commerce. In 2010 they became members of Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

John retired in 2015 and sold the business to his son, Mike. He especially enjoyed spending time with his wife traveling, camping and yardwork, and the yearly fishing trips to Canada with his sons, grandsons, and lately his daughter and granddaughters. He also had a passion for the farm and agriculture. His hobbies included working outside, redoing antiques, and especially a 1934 Farmall F12 tractor.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, LaVonne; 4 children and their spouses: Randy (Cheryl) Kruid, Hudson, South Dakota; Mike (Cori) Kruid, Madison, Nebraska; Terry (Barb) Kruid, Elkhorn, Nebraska; Cheryl Kruid Brown, Alma, Nebraska, 2 step children and spouse: Nick (Ruth) Johnson, Guthrie, Oklahoma and Noelle Johnson, Columbus, Nebraska, and step grandson Chance Johnson, who was raised by his grandparents. 15 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, and one on the way. 1 sister, JoAnne (Gerrit) Baker, Doon, Iowa, 3 brothers, Frank Kruid, Ireton, Iowa, Edwin (Ethel) Kruid, Orange City, Iowa, Marvin (Sharlyn) Kruid, Rock Valley, Iowa, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Grace, 2 brothers, John and Marion, a grandson Marcus Kruid, and 2 sisters in law, Marilyn Kruid and Carole Kruid.

Memorials may be made to the Orphan Grain Train, 601 West Phillip Avenue Norfolk Nebraska 68701.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect Hill Cemetery - Norfolk

1500 Maple Avenue  
Norfolk, NE 68701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk  
1200 N. 13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
(402) 371-7676  
[info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com](mailto:info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com)  
<https://stonacekfuneralchapel.com/>

## Service

OCT 9. 10:30 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran Church  
2420 W. Omaha Ave.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
<http://www.oursav.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Frederick "John" Kruid*

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October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Life drew our families apart, but I'll never forget those bowling alley days :) Since then I've genuinely admired your family fishing trips and get-to-gathers. What a great testament to great relationships!*

*See you later Uncle John*

*Mark....*

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**Mark Kruid** - October 09, 2017 at 12:50 PM



“ *We got to know John in the Madison Chamber of Commerce and Fair Board. Janet and I always enjoyed his wonderful smile and laughter. He was a good leader on the fair board and did so much for his community. He was a good friend. Our sympathies to LaVonne and the whole Kruid family. We wish you Gods comfort and peace.*

*Al & Janet Pfeifer*

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**Al Pfeifer** - October 09, 2017 at 10:03 AM



“ *Never knew John, just his son, but the way he raised Randy, he must have been quite the individual.*

*Bob Morgan*

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**Robert Morgan** - October 07, 2017 at 10:09 PM

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“ LaVonne & Family - We were sorry to read of John's passing. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Don & Betty Dammast  
708 Skyview Circle*

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**Don & Betty Dammast** - October 07, 2017 at 05:49 PM

DB

“ Doug, Denise & Julie Bertke purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Frederick "John" Kruid.



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**Doug, Denise & Julie Bertke** - October 07, 2017 at 11:13 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Frederick "John" Kruid.



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October 06, 2017 at 09:23 AM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frederick "John" Kruid.



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October 04, 2017 at 10:02 PM

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“ *Your Square D Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Frederick "John" Kruid.*



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**Your Square D Family** - October 04, 2017 at 05:48 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frederick "John" Kruid.*



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October 04, 2017 at 01:40 PM

JK

“ *My deepest sympathy to the entire Kruid family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Rest in peace cousin John.*  
*Jeannie Koskie*



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**Jeannie Koskie** - October 04, 2017 at 12:17 PM

TG

“ *John was without a doubt, one of the most kindest, friendliest, "Gentleman", I have ever known. He will be missed. Tim*

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**Tim Giere** - October 04, 2017 at 08:39 AM