



## Gerhardt H. Carstens

April 28, 1922 - March 13, 2014

PIERCE — Gerhardt H. Carstens, 91, of Pierce died Thursday, March 13, 2014, at Pierce Manor. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at St. John's Lutheran Church, rural Pierce, with burial in the parish cemetery and the Rev. John Nelson officiating. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Sunday at Stonacek Memorial Chapel, Pierce. He was born April 28, 1922, at Pierce to Herman and Minnie (Kesting) Carstens. He was baptized May 14, 1922, and confirmed April 14, 1935, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Pierce, by the Rev. H.A. Hilpert. He attended District 20, Pierce country school. He was married to Iralane Schulz Feb. 10, 1946, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Pierce. After Gerhardt and Iralane were married, they farmed northeast of Wee Town. He also worked for Bleyhl Construction and Lenz Construction. He later went out on his own. Gerhardt was active in the 4-H Wee Town Feeders. They enjoyed dancing and going bowling. He had been a resident of the Wausa Assisted Living since July 2009 and the Pierce Manor since February 2014. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Pierce, active in the church teaching Sunday school, as elder, trustee and on the church council. Survivors are wife Iralane Carstens of Pierce; children Larry and (Doris) Carstens of Pierce, Dianne and husband Randy Droescher of Larchwood, Iowa, Nancy and husband James Bessmer of Osmond; daughter-in-law Peg Carstens of Randolph; 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and brother, Arnold and wife Jessie Carstens of Salida, Colo. He was preceded in death by parents Herman and Minnie; son Gary; brother Adolph; four sisters, Hulda Fuhrman,

Mildred Laubsch, Rosie Carstens and Altie Retzlaff. Music will be by organist Mrs. Jean Zautke and soloist Mr. Rick Higgins with "On Eagle's Wings," "Go Rest High on That Mountain," congregational hymns "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and "Precious Lord Take My Hand." Casket bearers will be Bradley Huwaldt, Mark Huwaldt, Jared Bessmer, Brian Larson, Mark Bloomquist, Tadd Kerkvliet, Mike Burgers, Tom Buss and Tim Schilz. Honorary casket bearers will be Tina Schilz, Kellie Sporleder, Rhonda Bloomquist, Kari Buss, Jennifer Bessmer, Bobbie Kerkvliet and Misty Burgers.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Johns Lutheran Church - Rural Pierce

Rural Pierce, NE 68767

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 16. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Memorial Chapel - Pierce  
403 West Main Street  
Pierce, NE 68767  
(402) 329-4270  
stonacekmemorialchapel@hotmail.com  
<https://stonacekfuneralchapel.com/>

## Service

MAR 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Johns Lutheran Church - Rural Pierce  
Rural Pierce, NE 68767

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gerhardt H. Carstens*

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“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Thinking of you during this difficult time!*

*Jared, Jenny, Caden & Jaxson Wingert*

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**Jennifer Wingert** - March 17, 2014 at 09:19 AM