



Joseph L. "Joedy" Sellon

December 22, 1931 - May 14, 2025

RANDOLPH – Funeral service for Joseph L. “Joedy” Sellon, 93 of Randolph, will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at St. John’s Lutheran Church, Randolph. Officiating the service will be P.M.A. Dwight Brummels. Burial will take place at the Randolph City Cemetery, rural Randolph. Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. to service time on Tuesday also at the church. Military rites will be conducted by the V.F.W. Alvin Kessler Post #5545, American Legion Post #113, and the United States Air Force Honors Guard. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family for a later designation. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Randolph is in charge of the arrangements.

Joseph L. Sellon was born on December 22, 1931, to Joseph E. and Eleanor (Otte) Sellon in Randolph, NE. He passed away on May 14, 2025, at Colonial Manor in Randolph at the age of 93 years, 4 months, and 23 days. Growing up, Joedy helped on the family farm, delivering milk from their dairy to the Randolph community before going to school each day. He attended Randolph Public Schools, graduating in 1950. Joedy enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1951 and proudly served for 4 years. During his years in the service, he was stationed in Texas, California, England, and Tampa, Florida.

Joedy married his high school sweetheart, Marlene Strathman, on July 21, 1952, at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida. In 1956, they returned to Randolph to farm, moving to the farm on “the Hill” in 1959. Their marriage was

blessed with the birth of a daughter, Marla, and a son, Monty. Joedy farmed with his dad until the early 1980s. After his dad retired, Joedy continued to farm well into his 80s. He had many hired men over his years of farming who became like his family.

As a lifelong resident, Joedy was proud of the Randolph community, the golf course, and his church. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, participating in Men in Mission, the church choir, and the church council. He was a member of the Randolph Lions Club and the VFW. He was also very active with the Randolph Senior Center, serving as Chairman for several years.

Joedy and Marlene enjoyed traveling with family and friends to Husker football games, to Hawaii and Alaska, and on several other cruises and trips. They enjoyed daily drives around town and in the country to check the crops. He always had a smile and a story or joke to tell. Most of all, he loved to hold hands with Marlene. They were blessed to celebrate 72 years of marriage last July.

Joedy is survived by his wife, Marlene; his daughter, Marla Heitmann of Omaha; his son, Dr. Monty and Lynnette Sellon of Fremont; his four granddaughters Stephanie Heitmann of Omaha, Melissa and Jesse Glenn of Omaha, Amy and Jake Goldsberry of Omaha; Cari and Ethan Kleinknecht of Peoria, AZ; great-grandchildren Addison and Emilia Glenn and Emmitt and Evelyn Kleinknecht; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Myron and Logene Strathman of Randolph and Marian and Richard Anderson of Lincoln; as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Joedy is preceded in death by his son-in-law, Stephen Heitmann; his parents, Joseph and Eleanor Sellon; parents-in-law, Ernest and Minnie Strathman; sisters Lavone (Gerald) Hansen and Twilla (Lowell) Friedrich; brother-in-law

Harold Bauer; brothers-in-law Melvin Strathman and Milton (Sharon) Strathman; nieces Melanie Strathman and Janet Prochaska; nephew Robert Hansen; and great-nephew Anthony Strathman.

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

Cemetery Details

Randolph City Cemetery

Randolph, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church - Randolph
310 W. Broadway
Randolph, NE 68771
(402) 337-0414

Funeral Service

MAY 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Joseph L. "Joedy" Sellon.*



May 22, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ *I worked with Paul Korth as his caregiver. I took Paul into Cardinal for coffee in the mornings. Jody always gave me a hard time about not sitting with the group of guys when they had their coffee. He was quite a character and will be missed. Janice Peregoy*

Janice M Peregoy - May 19, 2025 at 10:12 PM



“ *As lifelong friends of daughter Marla and family we always enjoyed thought provoking conversations with Joedy (and Marlene) during special occasions. Joedy was definitely a patriot and pillar of the Sellon family. RIP*

Jerry & Teresa Haas - May 18, 2025 at 09:43 AM

AG

“ Joedy will be missed tremendously. He was always caring for others. He served the senior center in a role that many didn't want to step up to. He cared about all that was served there. You couldn't be around Joedy without a smile. He was such a gentle spirit. I loved seeing him and Marlene at the senior center every day. Their love for each other was inspiring. He would even rock Jackson to sleep for me while I was working. I really think he loved every minute and Jackson adored him! (So did I!)

Amy Graham - May 15, 2025 at 11:52 AM

JH

As lifelong friends of daughter Marla and family we always enjoyed conversations with Joedy (and Marlene). A true patriot and pillar of the Sellon family. RIP

Jerry & Teresa Haas - May 17, 2025 at 12:08 PM

DM

Joedy was an Amazing and “one of a kind” person. Knew him well in my younger years when he worked for my Dad in the Randolph Creamery.

Rest in Paradise 🕊️🙏

Dixie Mueting - May 20, 2025 at 12:43 PM

JG

Sorry to hear about your dad. Jim & Diane Grabbe

jim grabbe - May 21, 2025 at 01:40 PM

CM

Dr.Sellon I'm so sorry for your loss your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Christina McDunn - May 24, 2025 at 01:37 AM