



## Martin R. Oltjenbruns

September 1, 1934 - January 17, 2016

PIERCE — Services for Martin R. Oltjenbruns, 81, Pierce, will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at St. John's Lutheran Church near Pierce. The Rev. John E. Nelson will officiate with burial in the parish cemetery near Pierce. Military rites will be conducted by American Legion Tomek-Otto Post 72 and U.S. Army Honors Guard.

Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at Stonacek Memorial Chapel in Pierce. He died Sunday, Jan. 17, 2016, at Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk. He was born Sept. 1, 1934, at Creighton, the son of Alfred and Ella (Doerr) Oltjenbruns. He attended Creighton Public Schools and then served in the U.S. Army from Sept. 23, 1954, to Sept. 7, 1957. He was stationed in Germany.

He married Darlene R. Cox on June 9, 1961, at Osmond. The couple lived in Buckner, Mo., where he was a firefighter and worked at the lumber yard. They then lived in Winnetoon and Creighton, and then moved to Pierce in 1968. Martin worked construction with Zellmer Construction. Martin was a John Deere collector of toy tractors and memorabilia. He also did woodworking. Martin has been living at St. Joseph's Nursing Home since July 2015. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Pierce and the Pierce American Legion.

Survivors are his children, Earl Cox of Nashville, Tenn., Cheryl (Don) Cummings of Nashville, Linda Chavez of Pierce; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Ray (Betty) Oltjenbruns of Creighton; and a

sister, Joyce Eggers of Creighton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Ella; a sister, Louise Reed; and spouse Darlene in August 1998.

Music will be provided by organist Linda Peekenschneider. Congregational hymns will be "On Eagle's Wings," "Abide With Me" and "Old Rugged Cross." Casketbearers will be Carlos Oltjenbruns, Josh Chavez, Eva Chavez, Drew Marks, Karl Schultz, Bryan Beasley, James Eggers and Alan Oltjenbruns.

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect View Cemetery - Rural Pierce

Pierce, NE

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **20**. 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

JAN **21**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Johns Lutheran Church - Pierce  
Located one mile east of Pierce, at the intersection of 552nd Ave. and 854th Rd.  
Pierce, NE 68767

# Tribute Wall



“ *Martin R. Oltjenbruns*

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“ *One of my favorite memories was going to the Thrashing Bees. Him and grandpa just loved to go. I also learned to love them , the smell and sounds of the steam engines. What fun it was! After moving to South Dakota he would always tease me about hearing me howl like a cyotote. He had an amazing talent with building small Barnes and other things like bird houses. And I know he had great pride.for serving in the army. I was proud of him too.*

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**Kathy Schmidt** - January 22, 2016 at 07:16 PM