



Marvin Kratochvil

November 12, 1923 - March 18, 2014

NORFOLK — Marvin Kratochvil, 90, died Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at the Nebraska Heart Institute in Lincoln. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Stonacek Funeral Chapel, Norfolk, with graveside service at 2 p.m. at Fairview Cemetery, rural Creston. Military rites will be by Pieper Post 306 and Nebraska Army National Guard. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The Rev. Jerry Scheffler and Rev. Tino Naranjo will officiate. He was born Nov. 12, 1923, at Clarkson to Anton and Ann (Schauer) Kratochvil. He attended Clarkson Public Schools and graduated from Creston. He served during World War II from May 25, 1945, to Oct. 1, 1946. Marvin did his basic training in Fort Leavenworth, Kan. He served at Fort Meyer, Va., and at the Pentagon as communications chief. Marvin was a rifle sharp shooter, was awarded the World War II Victory Medal and was honorably discharged from Fort Sheridan, Ill. He married Helen Virginia Ritter on March 9, 1947, at First Presbyterian Church in Creston. After marriage, Helen and Marvin farmed in Stanton County. Marvin's hobbies were gardening, as he enjoyed growing things, bowling, horseshoes and playing pitch. Marvin bowled in a league in which he recorded two perfect games. He also played the accordion, guitar and bugle. Marvin was still active in farming this past year. He was a member of the American Legion in Creston, National Farmers Organization, an ordained elder of the Presbyterian Church in Creston, played "Taps" every Memorial Day at Creston and served on rural school boards in Stanton County. Survivors are children Ellen and husband Kenneth McCurdy of

Fremont, David Kratochvil of Madison, Kathy and husband Rev. Tino Naranjo of Norfolk, Karen and husband Kevin Raatz of Norfolk; 15 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; one brother, Cyril and wife Dona Kratochvil of Fairbury; and sisters-in-law Mary Nagy of Downingtown, Pa., Donna Ritter of Creston, Ruth Ritter of Phoenix, Ariz. and Emily Kratochvil of Arvada, Colo.; and sons-in-law Terry Cranston of Grand Island and Jerry Scheffler of Lincoln. He was preceded in death by wife Helen Virginia; parents Anton and Ann; two daughters, Beth Scheffler and Linda Cranston; one son-in-law, Cliff Muhsman; and daughter-in-law Kathleen Kratochvil. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com. Special music will be by Giselle Montalvo (granddaughter) with congregational hymns "All Things Bright and Beautiful," "For the Beauty of the Earth" vs. 1-4 and "We Plow the Fields and Scatter." Casket bearers will be Jeremy Scheffler, Joshua Scheffler, Christopher Kratochvil, John Samuelson, Douglas Muhsman, Mark Muhsman and Jesse Ferguson.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery - Rural Creston

Rural Creston, NE 68631

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk
1200 N.13th St.
Norfolk, NE 68701
(402) 371-7676
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Service

MAR 22. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Marvin Kratochvil*



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - March 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Marvin Kratochvil*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Ellen, Ken and boys...so sorry to see where your father had passed...I was just thinking about all of you the other day and wondering what everyone was doing!..I will keep you and your family in my prayers..*

Mary and Steve Abegglen, Columbus

Mary Abegglen - March 21, 2014 at 11:46 AM

DD

“ Dear David, Ellen, Kathy and Karen,
I was so sad to hear of your Dad's passing. One of my special memories is when I would come and spend time at your place during the summer, your mom would take your dad lunch while he was working in the field. Being a city girl I thought that was so cool! Hoping you all find peace and comfort knowing your mom and dad are together and watching over you all.
Blessings,
Dawn Sandberg DeMarr

Dawn DeMarr - March 20, 2014 at 07:59 PM

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Thank you, Dawn, for sharing your memory. It was always fun to have you visit at the farm. I remember you teaching us ballet steps which was fascinating for us "country girls!" Love to you and your family.
Kathy (Kratochvil) Naranjo

Kathy Naranjo - April 01, 2014 at 09:08 PM

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“ I am so sorry to learn of the passing of Marvin, he was a good man, and I always respected his thoughts and opinions. I enjoyed our conversations about hard work and it was easy to see he loved farming. He will be missed.
Terry D. Lich

Terry D. Lich - March 20, 2014 at 12:10 PM

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“ *Duff & Alice Kratochvil and family purchased the Sweet Remembrance Spray for the family of Marvin Kratochvil.*



Duff & Alice Kratochvil and family - March 20, 2014 at 10:57 AM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Marvin Kratochvil.*



March 19, 2014 at 01:58 PM