



Maurice L. "Maurie" Stalnaker

June 15, 1923 - June 6, 2016

NORFOLK — Services for Maurice L. "Maurie" Stalnaker, 92, of Norfolk will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Community Bible Church in Norfolk. The Revs. George Heusinger and Arin Hess will officiate with burial in Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery. Military rites will be conducted by the U.S. Navy Honors Guard, American Legion Post 16 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1644. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Stonacek Funeral Chapel of Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

He died Monday, June 6, 2016, at Norfolk Veterans Home in Norfolk.

The son of Harry Curtis and Etta (Bush) Stalnaker was born June 15, 1923, at Marquette. He graduated from Marquette High School in 1940 and attended Nebraska Christian College in Central City for a year.

He served in the U.S. Navy as an ensign during World War II from March 11, 1943, to Nov. 28, 1945. After Maurice's service in the U.S. Navy in World War II, he married Edith Piwenitzky on June 11, 1948, at Grace Luthrean Church in Wayne. They farmed River Farm near Norfolk, living there until 2007. They were blessed with three children; Joleen, Thomas and Dean.

He was an avid reader, particularly about the Civil War. He was a member of Community Bible Church since 1962 and he served as deacon, treasurer and Sunday school teacher. He had a heart for missions and supported many missionaries all over the world. He was welcomed into the arms of his Savior on Monday, June 6, 2016.

He was a member of American Legion Post 16, and he was a weather

observer for the State of Nebraska for 45 years.

He is survived by his spouse of 68 years, Edith Stalnaker of Norfolk; a daughter, Joleen Stalnaker of Norfolk; a son, Dean Stalnaker of Denver, Colo.; a daughter-in-law, Valerie Stalnaker of Leesburg, Va.; his grandchildren, Kelly (Andrew) Hoag of Leesburg, Va., and first lieutenant Alexander Stalnaker, currently stationed at the Rose Barracks in Vilseck, Germany; and his great-grandchildren, Kathryn and Lauren Hoag of Leesburg.

He was preceded in death by his son, Thomas; parents Curt and Etta, and his sister, Daurice.

Music will be provided by organist Karen Wantoch and pianists Anne Marie Hess and Dean Stalnaker with John and Maria Kenney, singing "A Child of the King." Congregational hymns will be "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" and "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling." Recorded music will be "Pilgrim's Hymn" and "The Souls Of The Righteous."

Casketbearers will be Matthias Schuetz, Mike Kinney, Brian Anderson, David Sellin, Todd Crosby and James Bredehoft. Honorary casketbearers are Ken Hoefler, Mark Fleer, Rob Backer, Phil Wantoch and Steven Oss. The church is located at 401 East Park Ave. in Norfolk.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Memorial donations may be made to the Norfolk Rescue Mission, 111 N. Ninth St, Norfolk, NE 68701, or Gospel Fellowship Association 1809 Wade Hampton Blvd. #110, Greenville, SC 29609.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery - Norfolk

1950 N. 13th St.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **15**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Community Bible Church
401 E Park Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701
<http://www.cbcnorfolk.com/>

Service

JUN **16**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maurice L. "Maurie" Stalnaker*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *On behalf of Boyd, Brandon and Morgan Ebberson and myself, we are so sorry for your loss and know you will miss him. We farm your land by Hadar. We wish we could have been there to meet the family; however we were heading out of town for a family wedding. His devotion to faith and family were evident through his obituary. A memorial has been sent direct to the Norfolk Rescue Mission. Valerie Ebberson, Coleridge, NE*

Val Ebberson - June 23, 2016 at 09:05 AM



“ *Edith, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Maurice was a very special guy. Mike and Pat Meiehenry, Lincoln*



Pat Meierhenry - June 13, 2016 at 08:21 PM

JA

“ Uncle Maurie was my favorit uncle. He was extremely handsome, strong, smart, had amazing hands, a great sense of humor and he loved God more than anything. He worked hard on "River Farm" and was a great father. He was very involved in Community Bible Church where I hold some of my fondest memories.

I remember him taking a nap in the mud room on the farm after a wonderful meal lovingly prepared by Aunt Edie, milking cows twice a day, moving irrigation pipe, loading livestock... so many pictures run through my mind.

Uncle Maurie was my mom's brother. She adored him. She even changed the spelling of her name "Doris" to Daurice so she could be like him!

This time of life is difficult, losing our loved ones as we get older but I rest in knowing that Uncle Maurie is in Glory! God is Good Always.

Jan Amen - June 13, 2016 at 05:38 PM

DN

“ sorry to learn of your husbands passing Mrs. Stalnaker. We are thinking of all of you at this time. Your former student Darrell and Judy Neitzke, Manilla, IA.

Darrell Neitzke - June 13, 2016 at 03:38 PM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Maurice L. "Maurie" Stalnaker.



June 13, 2016 at 03:02 PM

JL

“ JAN & LYN purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Maurice L. "Maurie" Stalnaker.



JAN & LYN - June 11, 2016 at 05:27 PM

DT

“ A time of mourning the passing of a loved one but rejoicing that he now sees his Savior face to face is felt here in CO. I always loved going to the Stalnaker farm for so many different reasons. A large part of my precious memories while growing up have their setting on that farm. He was a rock and comfort to this young man in more ways than he would ever know. Praying for the family during this time.

David Thorin - June 09, 2016 at 12:10 PM

BR

“ Dear Stalnaker family, My prayers are with you as you mourn the loss of your husband and father...but I know that you rejoice too for he is with His Savior. Thank you for the many years that you have prayed for me here in Papua New Guinea. May the God of All-Comfort be your strength and hold you close in the days and hours ahead. With love, Belinda Richter, GFA Missionary in Papua New Guinea

Belinda Richter - June 09, 2016 at 04:25 AM

TF

“ *The Fremont Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Maurice L. "Maurie" Stalnaker.*



The Fremont Family - June 08, 2016 at 11:51 PM

NM

“ *I am so thankful for Maurie. He was such an encouragement to Phil, myself and our children when we first came to Community Bible Church. I know he and his family prayed for us. He was always faithful and loved the Lord. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. He will be missed by us all. I will be praying for his dear family.*
Love in Christ,
Niann McCormick

Niann McCormick - June 08, 2016 at 09:19 PM

BJ

“ *God bless Mauries family as they find joy in knowing he is with his Savior.*

BJ - June 08, 2016 at 09:08 PM