



## Maynard S. Abler

March 23, 1925 - November 4, 2019

PIERCE — Service for Maynard S. Abler, 94, Pierce, will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierce. The Rev. Marc Lim and Doug Tunink will officiate with burial in the parish cemetery in rural Pierce. Military rites will be conducted by American Legion Tomek-Otto Post 72 of Pierce and the U.S. Air Force Honors Guard.

Visitation will be 4:30-7 p.m. Sunday with a 6 p.m. prayer service at the church.

Stonacek Memorial Chapel of Pierce is in charge of the arrangements.

Maynard Abler passed peacefully away on Monday, Nov. 4, 2019, at Faith Regional Health Services. He is survived by his spouse, Jacque, and his sons and their spouses.

Maynard was born on March 23, 1925, in Humphrey to Joseph and Magdalena (Fuchs) Abler. He lived in Humphrey as an infant and then lived in Peetz, Colo., until 1936, when the family moved to Pierce onto the family farm west of Pierce. He graduated from Pierce High School in 1942 and served in the U.S. Army Air Force from Dec. 27, 1943, to April 4, 1946. He drove transport for H&N Oil Co. until 1949, when he started his farming career fulltime. He was very active with his nieces and nephews as they grew up around Pierce.

He married Jacqueline, nee Malone, Kratochvil on Oct. 4, 1969, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierce. They recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. He and Jacque moved off the farm in 1989, when he

began his very active retirement.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Parish for 83 years, American Legion Post 72 for 73 years, Pierce Lions Club and Knights of Columbus. Maynard was very active in numerous other organizations throughout the community.

Survivors include his spouse, Jacque Abler of Pierce; his sons, Scott and Sheila Abler of Pierce, Randy and Deb Kratochvil of Kearney, Tony and Katie Kratochvil of Houston, Texas, and Patrick and Beth Kratochvil of Albion; his grandchildren, (Scott) Hailey, Zak and Kyle; (Randy) Angie, Jennie, Laura and Amy; (Tony) Matthew and Drew; (Patrick) Courtney, Shawn, Michael and Curtis; and eight great-grandchildren. He is survived by his siblings, Loraine German of Wayne, Eileen Koehn of Plano, Texas, Gerry (Betty) Abler of Wahoo, Gene (Sharon) Abler of Des Moines, Iowa, and Caroline Hoglund of Alpharetta, Ga.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his granddaughter, Sarah Kratochvil; and brothers-in-law Bob German, Tom Hogland and Dale Koehn. Music will be presented by organist Celine Fehringer and the St. Joseph's Church Choir. Selections include "Going Home," "Amazing Grace," "On Eagle's Wings" and "How Great Thou Art."

Casket bearers will be Courtney Coble, Angie Stava, Jennie Kratochvil, Amy Dubbs, Laura Jensen, Matthew Kratochvil, Drew Kratochvil, Shawn Kratochvil, Michael Kratochvil, Curtis Kratochvil, Hailey Abler, Zak Abler and Kyle Abler. Online condolences may be sent to [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 10. 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church - Pierce  
118 Willow St.  
Pierce, NE 68767

## Prayer Service

NOV 10. 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

NOV 11. 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Maynard S. Abler*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Uncle Maynard although we have not seen each other since my grandma passed (Mae Malone), you have been my uncle since marrying my aunt and carrying a ball and chain sitting in the back of a truck. You were a quite, gentle man and will be missed . I am sorry that our two families became estranged as I missed out on so many memories we could of had. Your life celebration is my fathers birthday, and fitting for both of you veterans of our armed services. When you see my father in heaven tell him I love and miss him, as I will you. Rest In Peace Uncle Maynard.*

**Kelly D (Malone) Shiver** - November 07, 2019 at 11:33 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Maynard S. Abler.*



November 07, 2019 at 03:41 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Maynard S. Abler.*



November 07, 2019 at 01:24 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Maynard S. Abler.* ”



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November 06, 2019 at 12:47 PM