



Ray L. Flesner

August 23, 1935 - November 27, 2021

PIERCE -- Funeral service for Ray Lee Flesner, 86, of Pierce, were held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Foster. Rev. Jerome Leckband officiated the service. Burial was at Prospect View Cemetery, rural Pierce. Military rites were conducted by Tomek-Otto Post 72 American Legion of Pierce, and the United States Army Honor Guard. Visitation was from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, at the church in Foster. Mr. Flesner died on Saturday, November 27, 2021, at Osmond General Hospital surrounded by his family.

Stonacek Memorial Chapel in Pierce, was in charge of the arrangements. Ray Lee Flesner was born on August 23, 1935, at home to Bernard Albert and Tollie Lee (Pierce) Flesner. He was baptized on April 1, 1945, at Crawford Valley Church. He attended elementary school in Antelope County and graduated from Pierce Public School in 1952, at the age of 16. He farmed for two years while waiting to turn 18 and enlist in the U.S. Army. He was on active duty from 1954-1956 and was honorably discharged. He married Marilyn Uttecht on August 23, 1958, at Zion East Lutheran Church in rural Hoskins. To this union were born three children; Carmen, Kevin, and Candace (Candy). After being discharged from the Army, he worked as a mechanic in Norfolk, and then was employed at Pender for a farmer who raised feeder cattle. Once married, he worked at Simpson's Construction and then started a lifelong career in farming which included a dairy operation that Ray and Marilyn ran for 23 years. Ray loved the Lord, his country, and his family. He

served as Elder and other various positions at Church and led the youth group. He loved to farm, hunt, play cards, bowl, and dance. In his later years, much to his surprise, he found he liked the game of golf. He especially enjoyed the 11 winters he and Marilyn spent in Surprise, AZ, making new friends and enjoying activities such as bocce ball, shuffleboard, pool volleyball, and dancing to live music at the Tiki Bar.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Marilyn Flesner of Pierce; son, Kevin (Cindy) Flesner of Pierce; daughter, Candy Timmerman and Joe Lengyel of Norfolk; son-in-law, John (Brooke) Halsey of Norfolk; eight grandchildren, Jared Halsey and fiancée Tam Vogt, Adam Halsey, Trenton Halsey and fiancée Kayla Grimm, Joshua Flesner, Lucas Flesner, Alek (Jacy) Flesner, Stephanie (Mike) Anderson, Ben (Brittney) Timmerman; three step grandchildren, Nicolle (Blake) Mosel, Saige Francis and fiancée Jake Rowlett, Summer Francis; eight great-grandchildren and two step grandchildren; siblings, Sharon (Jim) Riedel, Betty Matuska, Ronnie Flesner; sisters-in-law, Helen Flesner, Darlene Flesner, Carolyn Noelle and David Scott; brothers-in-law, Dick Ferris, Merle (Shanda) Uttecht, LeRoy Uttecht, Lowell (Kathy) Uttecht, Dwaine (Pat) Uttecht; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; in-laws, Art and Elizabeth Uttecht; daughter, Carmen Halsey; siblings, Howard Flesner, Dorothy (Darrell) Skeels, George (Peggy) Flesner, Everett (Beverly) Flesner, Edwin (Ida) Flesner, May Flesner, Freda (Art) Edwards, LaVonne Ferris, Willis Flesner, Alvin Flesner, and Marlene (Lynn) Jourdan; sister-in-law, Leila Uttecht; brother-in-law, Larry Noelle.

Organist was Kristi Leckband, congregational hymns Amazing Grace, How Great Thou Art, I Know That My Redeemer Lives.

Casketbearers were his grandchildren, Jared Halsey, Adam Halsey, Trenton Halsey, Joshua Flesner, Lucas Flesner, Alek Flesner, Stephanie Anderson, and Ben Timmerman.

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

Cemetery Details

Prospect View Cemetery - Rural Pierce

Pierce, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

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

Trinity Lutheran Church - Foster
301 W. Schneider St
Foster, NE 68765

Funeral Service

DEC **1**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ray L. Flesner*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM

A small square profile picture showing a woman with short blonde hair, identified as Dixie Kucera.

Dixie
Kucera

“ *Marilyn,*

We were so saddened to hear about Ray. It was so nice to know him. We always looked forward to seeing him and enjoyed visiting with both of you. What a blessing that he lived until he died. Not everyone does. But the better blessing is that he now lives again. It is truly miraculous. We will be thinking of you in the weeks to come and share in your missing him.

Melvin and Dixie

Dixie Kucera - December 03, 2021 at 04:59 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ray L. Flesner.*



November 30, 2021 at 09:00 AM

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“ *Dear Marilyn and Family,*

Pastor Schepmann and I were so sorry to learn of Ray's passing. We enjoyed knowing him and visiting with him whenever we were in your area.

Now, although we will miss him, we rejoice that the Lord has received him unto Himself, and we look forward to a joyful reunion in heaven someday.

In the meantime, may the Lord hold you very close and comfort you with the assurance of the resurrection.

*In His name,
Laurie Schepmann*

Laurie Schepmann - November 29, 2021 at 03:35 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ray L. Flesner.*



November 29, 2021 at 01:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ray L. Flesner.*



November 29, 2021 at 01:13 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ray L. Flesner.*



November 29, 2021 at 10:41 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ray L. Flesner.*



November 28, 2021 at 09:09 PM