



## Raymond L. Maas

October 1, 1922 - October 21, 2016

NORFOLK — Services for Raymond L. Maas, 94, Pierce, formerly of Norfolk, will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Norfolk. The Rev. Adrian E. Hanft will officiate with burial in Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery.

Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk.

He died Friday, Oct. 21, 2016, at St. Joseph's Care Center in Norfolk.

Born Oct. 1, 1922, in Hoskins, he was the son of Chris and Catherine (Wageman) Maas. He was baptized and confirmed on Aug. 1, 1935, at Zion East Lutheran Church in rural Hoskins.

Ray was raised in Hoskins and the Wayne County area, graduating from Hoskins Rural School District 55. Ray worked on the farm until 1939 then continued to work as a hired hand until 1943 in the Norfolk area.

He married Bernice Voecks on Aug. 12, 1943, at Zion East Lutheran Church near Hoskins. He continued to farm in the Hoskins area before they moved to Norfolk in 1958. Ray worked for the Nebraska Beef packing plant for 10 years, then at Vulcraft in Norfolk for 18 years as an assistant inspector. Bernice died in 1996.

He married Lois Strate on Dec. 12, 1998, in Apache Junction, Ariz. They lived in Hoskins until moving to Pierce in 2008. He raised produce in his garden that he enjoyed selling in the area. He enjoyed carpentry work, bowling, fishing, camping, and later enjoyed watching sports and playing cards. He was a past elder, head usher and member of Mount Olive Lutheran

Church in Norfolk.

Survivors include his spouse, Lois Maas of Pierce; a daughter, Jeannie and spouse Willie Wesemann of Pierce; a daughter, Gloria and spouse Larry Hofmann of Norfolk; 11 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary Ann Heckman of Norfolk; stepchildren Sharon and spouse David Fiddes of Eagle, Dr. Merwyn and spouse Debra Strate of Dubai, Marilyn Strate of Garvin, Minn., Marlin Strate of Pierce; six stepgrandchildren; and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first spouse, Bernice in 1996; a daughter, Barbara Metschke; a son-in-law, Lavon Metschke; parents Chris and Catherine; brothers August, Otto, Louie, Chris, Elmer, Edwin and Alvin; and sisters Anna Brauner, Freida Thompson, Laura Kling, Katherine Deets and Nora Lambrecht.

Organist Terri Hankins will provide music with congregational hymns "Amazing Grace," "Abide With Me" and "In The Garden."

Casketbearers are grandsons Mike Metschke, Mark Metschke, Matt Metschke, Marty Metschke, Miles Metschke, Brent Wesemann and Scott Hofmann. Honorary casketbearers are granddaughters Renee Freudenburg, Lori Hofmann, Shelley Buchholz and Kelly Martinson.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at [www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery - Norfolk

1950 N. 13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk  
1200 N.13th St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
(402) 371-7676  
[info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com](mailto:info@stonacekfuneralchapel.com)  
<https://stonacekfuneralchapel.com/>

## Service

OCT **26**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Mount Olive Lutheran Church - Norfolk  
1212 S. 2nd St.  
Norfolk, NE 68701

# Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond L. Maas*

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October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Raymond L. Maas.*



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October 25, 2016 at 12:23 PM



“ *Jeannie, Willie & Family - We were sorry to read of the passing of your father. We've both been through the loss of our parents and it is never easy to give them up regardless of their age. You all are in our thought and prayers.*

*Don & Betty Dammast*

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**Don & Betty Dammast** - October 24, 2016 at 08:44 PM