



Robert P. "Bob" Groninger

February 23, 1933 - July 9, 2017

NORFOLK -- Funeral service for Robert P. "Bob" Groninger, 84, of Norfolk will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, July 14, 2017 at the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Norfolk with Father Scott Schilmoeller officiating. Interment will be in the Best Cemetery, rural Norfolk. Visitation will be Thursday from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk with the rosary service beginning at 7:00 p.m. following the visitation. Military rites will be by the American Legion Post #16 and V.F.W. Post #1644 both of Norfolk, Nebraska and the United States Army Honors Guard. Bob died Sunday, July 9, 2017 at his residence in Norfolk.

Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert P. "Bob" Groninger was born Feb. 23, 1933, on a farm in Pierce County, the son of Fred and Ruth (Miller) Groninger. He attended District 33 country school in rural Pierce.

Bob was drafted into the U.S. Army and served from July 29, 1953, to June 7, 1955. He was discharged just as the Korean War was ending.

He married Shirley Janning on Feb. 23, 1957, at St. Patrick's Church in Battle Creek. Bob and Shirley spent the first 20 years working side by side on the farm in rural Madison County. Bob was also employed at the Norfolk Post Office as a postal clerk from 1964 to 1996, where he retired after 32 years of service. Bob passed onto his girls and grandkids some of his favorite things — his love of horse races, the game of cribbage, his ability to always run into someone he knew wherever he went and, most of all, his love for biscuits and

gravy, chicken-fried steak and tootsie rolls.

Bob was also an active member of the Norfolk Family YMCA. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church-Sacred Heart Parish in Norfolk and the American Legion for over 60 years.

Survivors include his spouse of 60 years, Shirley Groninger of Norfolk; six daughters, Debbie (Gary) Brenner of Merriam, Kan., Roberta Groninger of Norfolk, Lisa (Doug) Parks of Norfolk, Maria (Ed) O'Hare of Norfolk, Julie (Dan) Davis of Omaha and Tina (Rod) Hampton of Omaha. He was a very proud grandfather and great-grandfather of seven grandchildren and a great-grandson: Jessica (Daniel) Paisley, Samantha (Tyler) Wieseler, Layne O'Hare, Cooper O'Hare, Stephanie Parks, Melissa Parks, Rachel Davis and Alex Davis. He is also survived by his sister, Doris Ferris of Norfolk and a brother, Bill (Joey) Groninger of Wisner.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Ruth; his sisters, Lois Gummus, Arlene Reynolds and Ardith Melcher; and a brother, Joe Groninger. Music will be provided by organist Mary Bruckner and vocalist Kristi Heng. Hymns will be "On Eagles Wings", "Amazing Grace", "Old Rugged Cross", and "Hail Holy Queen." Pallbearers will be Jessica Paisley, Samantha Wieseler, Layne O'Hare, Stephanie Parks, Melissa Parks, Rachel Davis, Alex Davis and Cooper O'Hare. Honorary pallbearers are Donral and Naoma "Poots" Schulz, Wes and Leila Kumm, Ron and Sandy Hall and Jim and Sallie Pryor.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Norfolk Family Y.M.C.A., 301 W. Benjamin Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701, or Faith Regional Hospice, 2700 W. Norfolk Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Rosary

JUL 13. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Norfolk
2300 Madison Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Tribute Wall



“ *Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger*



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - July 12, 2017 at 11:05 AM



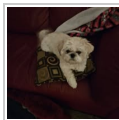
“ *Robert P. "Bob" Groninger*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *My condolences to Tina and all the family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*
Dan Gruber from Omaha

Daniel Gruber - July 15, 2017 at 08:17 AM



Thank you so very much.

Tina Groninger Hampton - July 19, 2017 at 06:44 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. You are blessed to have so many wonderful memories!*
Brian & Shelli Raabe

Shelli - July 14, 2017 at 10:00 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



July 13, 2017 at 11:38 AM



“ John & Brandy Gregory purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



John & Brandy Gregory - July 12, 2017 at 08:00 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



July 12, 2017 at 02:59 PM



“ 84 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - July 12, 2017 at 10:53 AM



“ 14 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - July 12, 2017 at 09:48 AM



“ Your friends and family at Hallmark 216. purchased the *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



Your friends and family at Hallmark 216. - July 11, 2017 at 11:22 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.*



July 11, 2017 at 06:29 PM



“ *Debbie and family, I didn't know your father but kind of feel like I do from hearing you talk about him. He must have been a very good man to raise such a nice family. I am so sorry for all of your loss. He's home now. May the choirs of angels come to greet him, may they lead him to Paradise! Love you, Donna Kuzila.*

Donna Kuzila - July 11, 2017 at 06:21 PM



“ *Scott and Jutta and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.*



Scott and Jutta and family - July 11, 2017 at 02:50 PM



“ *Condolences to the entire Groninger family in the loss of your father, grandfather and greatgrandfather. Bob was a good man and I always enjoyed talking to him, whenever I would run into him around town over the years.*

r noffke - July 11, 2017 at 01:58 PM

KF

“ Karen, Junior, Ken Simkulet and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



Karen, Junior, Ken Simkulet and family - July 11, 2017 at 01:50 PM



“ Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern was purchased for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



July 11, 2017 at 12:01 PM

MB

“ Thinking of all of Bob's family. Such a loving and caring family. I am sure Bob was so very proud of all of you. Keep those wonderful memories of him during this difficult time.
Marlene Blakeman

Marlene Blakeman - July 11, 2017 at 10:53 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.



July 11, 2017 at 10:33 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Robert P. "Bob" Groninger.*



July 10, 2017 at 11:46 PM