



William H. "Bill" Bermel Sr.

July 1, 1931 - October 8, 2017

RANDOLPH — Funeral service for William H. "Bill" Bermel Sr., 86, Randolph, will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, 2017 at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk with Rev. Chip Winter officiating. Burial will be at the Coleridge City Cemetery in Coleridge. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Wednesday also at Stonacek Funeral Chapel.

Bill died Sunday, Oct. 8, 2017, at Colonial Manor in Randolph. Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk is in charge of the arrangements.

William H. "Bill" Bermel Sr. was born July 1, 1931, in rural Coleridge, the son of Marks and Ellen (Wilson) Bermel Sr. He attended School District 76 in rural Sholes until the eighth grade. After Bill's education, he stayed home and helped his dad farm. Bill then joined the U.S. Army and served in Korea from July 28, 1952, to April 27, 1954. He then served with the Army Reserve for eight years.

After the service, Bill lived in Omaha, working for a packing plant for three years. During Bill's time in Omaha, he met his future spouse, Hazel.

He married Hazel Wade on Feb. 4, 1954, at the Lutheran church in Lynch. Bill and Hazel moved back to the family farm in rural Randolph, where they lived from 1954 until 2007. Bill and Hazel operated their dairy throughout those years and also farmed and raised livestock.

Bill enjoyed farming, spending time with neighbors and playing cards, especially 10-point pitch. Sunday's for Bill were always "family day," which entailed Sunday dinners and visiting family. Bill enjoyed Jerry's Hilltop, which

to Bill and Hazel was "Hazel's Second Kitchen." Bill was a John Deere man and was also proud to be a Holstein dairy farmer. Most importantly, Bill enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and playing hide and seek on the farm.

He was a member of Randolph VFW Post 5545.

Survivors are his spouse, Hazel Bermel of Randolph; children Delores (James) Geu of Stanton, Bill Jr. (Christel) of South Sioux City, Mary Wright of Norfolk; 13 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and a set of great-great-grandchildren, twins, on the way; and his siblings, Lucy Mason of Laurel and Gilbert (Cher) Bermel of Grand Island. He was preceded in death by his parents, Marks and Ellen; siblings Margaret Moos, Marks Bermel Jr., Jenney Baldwin and Elmer Bermel; his grandsons, Heath, Jeremy, Colton and Kyle; his granddaughter, Heather; a great-grandson, Jonathan; a half-brother, Earl; and a half-sister, May.

Music will be provided by George Bradley singing "On Eagle's Wings," "Old Rugged Cross" and "A Closer Walk With Thee." Recorded song will be "Home."

Casketbearers will be Don Bermel, Jason Smith, Nick Bermel, Jesse Wright, Mike Wright and Pat Baldwin. Honorary casketbearers will be Christine Wright, Joe Mason, Mark Bermel, Del Bermel, Larry Mason, Monty Mason and Tim Baldwin.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **11.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *William H. "Bill" Bermel Sr.*

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“ *Our prays are with you all.remember all the good times when we came to the farm always a great day.my mom would stay latter then plained so we helped with the milking the cows what a fun time.Bill was my last uncle I had a fine man.*

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Hazel and her kids. I enjoyed taking care of Bill and him giving me a hard time because i was "Bobbys" daughter. I wont ever forget though bring my daughter to see everyone and he just grabs her and holds her and smiled. Hugs to all of you.*

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