

Remembrance

Robert Lee Meier, 77

May 20, 1941 - May 15, 2019

HARLAN – Robert Lee Meier, son of Fred and Edna (Dobernecker) Meier, was born May 20, 1941 on the family farm near Persia. He was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Persia. He attended Persia High School, where he graduated with the class of 1959.

In February of 1964, Robert entered the US Army Reserves before serving active duty for seven months, and then returning to the reserves to complete his five-year term.

On January 28, 1966, Robert was united in marriage to Janet Kay Best at Broadway Methodist Church in Council Bluffs. They were blessed with three children: David, Kathy, and Jennifer.

Robert started out his many years of truck driving on a milk delivery route, then for Persia Milling. In 1970, the family moved to Irwin where he worked for over 25 years for Irwin Elevator.

Robert was always there for all his children's activities, he especially loved attending their sporting events. His grandchildren were extremely important to him and he loved spending time playing with them. He also supported his nieces and nephews at their activities. He also participated in RAGBRAI for 15 years on team Huff Puffers.

Robert died on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 surrounded by his loving family at Manning Regional Healthcare Center in Manning, attaining the age of 77 years, 11 months and 25 days.

In addition to his parents, Robert was preceded in death by his siblings Lotus Martin, Fred Meier, LaVonne Springman, Ronald Meier, and Richard Meier.

Robert is survived by his wife of 53 years Janet Meier of Irwin; children David Meier of Irwin; Kathy (Kevin Lingle) Freese of Manilla; Jenni (Derrick) Clouse of Manilla; grandchildren Alex Meier, Zachary Freese, Vanessa Freese, Joanna Freese, Anthony Meier, Caleb Clouse, Maguire Clouse, and Samuel Robert William Clouse; great grandchild Carson Robert Lee Meier; sisters Rogena Schmidt of Griswold; Deanna (Marvin) Huebner of Persia; sisters-in-law Mona Meier of Council Bluffs; Gloria Meier of Tabor; Kathy Meier of Tabor; brother-in-law Nick Springman of Portsmouth; many nieces and nephews; other family members and friends.

A 10 AM Funeral Service was officiated by Rev. Roy North on Monday, May 20, 2019 at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Harlan. Samuel Clouse, Caleb Clouse, Maguire Clouse, Carson Meier, all his nieces and nephews served as honorary casket bearers. Alex Meier, Zachary Freese, Anthony Meier, Vanessa Freese, Joanna Freese, and Robbie Huebner served as casket bearers.

Military Rites were conducted by Harlan American Legion Helmer Reyelt Post No. 150 and Shelby County VFW Post No. 941 at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin.

Pauley Jones Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



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