



Bryce E. Erickson

August 18, 1918 - February 28, 2015

Bryce E. Erickson, 96, of Kearney, died Saturday, February 28, 2015 at the Mt. Carmel Home Keens Memorial in Kearney.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Kearney with Rev. Gary Main and Rev. John Erickson officiating. Graveside services will be at 1:30 p.m. at the Riverdale Cemetery. Military rites at the grave will be provided by the Kearney American Legion Post #52, V.F.W. Post #759 and the Nebraska National Guard Military Honors Team. Visitation will be Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney and one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday. Memorials are suggested to First United Methodist Church or Press On Ministry. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Bryce Elmer Erickson was born August 18, 1918 to Albert and Winnie Erickson at their farmhouse southwest of Riverdale. He graduated from Riverdale High School in 1936 then helped on the family farm.

He was inducted into the Army September 10, 1941. He took his basic training at Fort Knox and in January 1942 was assigned to Co. D, 13th Armd. Regt.,

serving in the same company for the duration of the war. He left New York May 1, 1942 to Ireland, to England to North Africa on November 8, 1942. He took part in Algerian, French Morocco, Tunisian, Naples-Foggia, Anzio-Rome, Rome-Arno, North Apennines and Po Valley campaigns. He was a T-4 when discharged August 15, 1945.

On one of the hottest days of the summer, June 16, 1946, Bryce and Esther Cunningham were married in a small church in Fullerton, Nebraska. After the wedding the couple moved to rural Kearney where they farmed for 52 years and retired to Kearney in 1998.

Shortly after their wedding day, Bryce and Esther began their family. Randall Bryce was born on May 14, 1947. The family continued to grow. Cheryl Lynn was born on September 4, 1950; Susan Kay was born on April 18, 1952; Pamela Annette was born on July 20, 1957; and Timothy Kim completed the family on March 8, 1959.

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He was a member of the Riverdale Methodist Church then transferred to First United Methodist Church in Kearney, I.O.O.F. Lodge in Riverdale then Kearney, served as treasure on the Riverdale Cemetery Board, Riverdale Township Board, and Riverdale Methodist Church. He was active with the Buffalo County Civil Defense and served on the A.S.C. Committee.

Bryce is survived by sons, Randy and wife Deborah and Tim and wife Kathy, both of Kearney; daughters, Cheryl Noller and husband Kirk of Kearney, Susan Stinemetz and husband Phillip of Hill City, KS, Pam Hinrichs and husband Arlyn of Kearney, NE; 14 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren. He is also survived by sister's-in-law, Colleen Erickson of Scottsbluff, NE, Lucille

Cunningham of Colorado Springs, CO, Grace Cunningham of Fullerton, NE, Shirley Cunningham of Kearney, Arlene Louden of Laguna Beach, CA and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 2009; sister, Mary Ellen Michael and brothers, Albert "Bud" Erickson, Jr. and Carroll Erickson.

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Tribute Wall



“ Bryce E. Erickson

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ Dear Sue, Phil and family
We are saddened to read about the passing of your Dad and Granddad. May the presence of God and the prayers of your family and friends help you during your time of grief.

Dale and Kathy Herrington - March 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ We are thinking of you and wish we could be there. Our love and prayers are with you.

Ken and Sandy Fairbrother - March 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM