



Edward 'Ed' Reese

November 26, 1924 - July 13, 2015

Edward "Ed" Reese, 90, of Kearney died Monday, July 13, 2015 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Funeral services will be Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church with Pastor Dustin Lappe officiating. Burial will be at the Kearney Cemetery with Military Rites provided by the Nebraska National Guard Funeral Honors team, Kearney American Legion Post #52, and the Kearney V.F.W. Post #759. Visitation will be Wednesday, July 15, 2015 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney with the family greeting friends, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorials are suggested to Holy Cross Lutheran Church or Kearney Habitat for Humanity.

Edward was born November 26, 1924 on the family farm near Poole, NE to William Henry and Elizabeth (Jochem) Reese. Ed attended Rose Hill School earning an eighth grade diploma, and grew up in the rural Poole community enveloped by a very large extended family. Following WWII he was drafted serving in the Army 3rd Division stateside and later the Nebraska National Guard. He married Betty Ann Ellison in Omaha on November 18, 1952. The couple farmed East of Grand Island before moving to Kearney in 1958. He was employed for many years by Marlatt Machine Shop before starting his

own business, Reese Welding & Machine Shop in Elm Creek. After retiring in 1995 he assisted in construction of the Elm Creek athletic field grandstand with other Elm Creek community volunteers. His wife Betty Ann died on September 5, 1998. He was an active member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, a longtime volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and a regular at the YMCA. He enjoyed visiting with family members at reunions, gardening, sledding, woodworking, puttering around the house, and helping wherever he could.

He is survived by two sons and two daughters, Denis Edward and wife Tami (Kowalski) of Loomis, and Dan of Nashville, TN, Laura & husband Lynn Tadlock of Gibbon and Lisa & husband Donald Parish of Kearney. All four graduated from Kearney High and KSC/UNK. Four grandchildren, Aaron Edward Reese of Omaha, Lindsey Marie (Reese) & husband Brandon Shafto of Amherst, Evan Reese Parish & Aidan Reese Parish both of Kearney, sisters Dorothy Heinzman of McMinnville OR, Eileen & husband Dave Metz of Kearney, Evelyn Kreutzer of Holdrege, Loretta (Lori) Kiper of Aledo TX, sister in laws, Marge Reese of Coralville IA and Lettie Reese of Lincoln, Judy Heller of Lincoln, NE; brothers in law Jerry Ellison and wife Ginny of Broken Bow, NE.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Betty, his sisters Margaret Thompson of Coralville IA, Alice Kersting of Kearney and brothers Carl of Coralville, Walter of Iowa City, Everett of Lincoln and Arthur of Fairbury.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edward 'Ed' Reese*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *To Ed's family - Ed will be greatly missed. He was a great inspiration around the Habitat for Humanity worksite. Our prayers are with all of you~*

Rebecca Taylor - July 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have never met Ed Reese, but have heard some very interesting stories from his son, Dan.*

It appears Mr. Reese has lived a full complete life.

My prayers go out to Dan and the Reese family during their time of sorrow.

May the Lord lay his hand and comfort your days.

Alan

Alan Starc - July 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *He was an extraordinary person.*

Sheri Johnson - July 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Ed will always be a favorite of ours. He was kind, gracious, quietly humble and just a great guy! We so enjoyed his presence at the Havitat worksites where we could ALWAYS count on him for finding something to be done. We will greatly miss his smile and kindness!*

Ken & Bonnie Mumm - July 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM