



## Kenneth Arnold Kirwan

September 23, 1923 - July 6, 2012

Kenneth "Arnold" Kirwan, 88, of Kearney died Friday, July 06, 2012 at St. Luke's Good Samaritan Village in Kearney. Funeral services will be Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Kearney. Rev. Karla Gunn will officiate. Burial will be at the Kearney Cemetery with Military Rites conducted by the Kearney American Legion Post #52, Kearney V.F.W. Post #759 and the United States Navy Military Honors Team. Visitation is planned Monday from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney. The family will greet friends Monday evening at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to First United Methodist Church or Asera Care Hospice. Visit [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com) to leave a message of condolence, tribute or memory. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements. He was born September 13, 1923 in Elwood, NE to George and Alvera (Youngquist) Kirwan. He graduated from Lexington High School in 1943. On August 6, 1944 he married Dorothy Nelson in Bertrand, NE. He is a veteran of WWII, serving in the U.S. Navy from 1944 – 1946. After the Navy, Arnold worked around Loomis as a well driller for a year. Then he farmed near Lexington until they moved south of Kearney in 1948 where they farmed until 1966. In 1967 Arnold started selling John Deere farm equipment. He owned and operated Kirwan Implement in Holdrege from 1974 until 1981. He then worked as a custodian at the Kearney Clinic and First United Methodist Church. Later he worked at Mirror Image car wash. He was a member of the

First United Methodist Church in Kearney, V.F.W. Post #759, Kearney American Legion Post # 52, Kearney Eagles Lodge #2722 and the Kearney Elks Lodge #984. Arnold didn't know a stranger, and he could strike up a conversation with anyone. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, gardening, and taking care of his lawn. Surviving relatives: Wife Dorothy Kirwan of Kearney, NE Daughters Pat and husband Dennis Swearingen of Holdrege, NE Kris and husband Dave Noetzelman of Kearney, NE Daughter in law Teresa and Husband Ken Erickson of Atlanta, NE Sisters : LaRae Drew of Mississippi Maribell Irwin of Odessa, NE Brothers : Raymond and wife Donna Kirwan of Littleton, CO LaRoue Kirwan of Saratoga, CA Myron and wife Jean Kirwan of Imperial, NE Emil and wife Virginia Kirwan of Kansas City, KS David Kirwan of Stockton, CA 8 Grandchildren 19 Great Grandchildren He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 sons Jim and Robert Kirwan, and 1 daughter Kathryn.

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