



Leslie 'Les' U. Horn

August 27, 1918 - February 19, 2015

Leslie "Les" U. Horn, 96, of Omaha, formerly of Kearney, died Thursday, February 19, 2015 at Millard Good Samaritan in Omaha. Funeral services will be Tuesday morning, February 24, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home with Rev. Bill Ragan officiating. Burial will be in the Kearney Cemetery with military rites at the grave by V.F.W. Post # 759, American Legion Post # 52 and the Nebraska National Guard Military Honors Group. Visitation will be one hour prior to services Tuesday morning at the funeral home. Memorials are planned to Gentiva Hospice, in Omaha. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Les was born August 27, 1918 on the family farm near Sumner, NE to C. Leslie and Essie M. (Rodgers) Horn. He attended school in Cozad and was a graduate of Eddyville High School. Les entered the service on September 11, 1941 and served in the U.S. Army until he was discharged on November 4, 1945. He landed on Omaha Beach the day after D-Day and served under General Patton and received a Commendation from General Dwight D. Eisenhower. Les made the Buffalo County Hero Flight in 2009 to Washington, D.C.

Les was married to Geraldine "Gerry" M. Brandt on March 8, 1943 in North Platte and after his discharge in 1945 they moved to Kearney. Gerry worked for the Veterans Service office for many years until she retired in 1979. Les worked as an insurance agent for Farmers Insurance Company and then started the Les Horn Insurance Agency that he ran until he retired in 1980. He and Gerry moved to Omaha in 1999. Les was a member of Faith United Methodist Church, V.F.W. Post # 759, American Legion Post # 52, Kearney Elks Lodge # 984, the Lions Club, Rob Morris Masonic Lodge and Eagle's Lodge # 2722.

Surviving relatives include one daughter Lana Christensen and her husband Mike of Omaha; five grandchildren Brad Brandt and his wife Sharon of Kearney, Kylee Brandt of Kearney, C.J. Brandt and his wife Tina of Kearney, Cortney Christensen of Gladstone, MO and Shanna Gillming and her husband Randy of Litchfield, NE; one stepdaughter Debbie Wagner of Omaha; 10 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren.

Les was preceded in death by his wife Gerry on August 4, 2013, one daughter Linda Brandt Owens, one brother Tom Horn and one sister Jean Richards.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leslie 'Les' U. Horn*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I don't know Me a, or his family, but I just found his state farm business card in a book printed in 1966, Valley of the Dolls. If there is someone who would like to have it, contact me at bchbrat4evr@hotmail.com. he retired in '80, so it may be important to someone. Sincerely, Marcia Rogers Patterson. And my condolences for your loss, and the loss of an American hero.*

Marcia Patterson - February 16, 2020 at 09:40 PM

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“ *Thank you for the honor of caring for your loved Les Horn on the last leg of his earthly journey. We were blessed by the privilege.*

Betty Chilson, IDNS, GSS-Millard - February 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *I have so many fond memories of your dad when I lived in your house for my first year of college. He was such an exceptional man. He was so patient, and compassionate. He was always so helpful around the house for your mom. He also loved to cook. I remember he taught me how to make gravy. Because of that skill, I still make pretty darn good gravy when needed! I was so sad to hear of his passing and praying that you and your family will know and feel God's peace and understanding.*

Marilyn Amstuz - February 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ Lana,

One of my best memories of Les is when you all lived in the apartment house near Cottage Circle and we stopped one night to visit and sat on the lawn. He was a great friend to Dad.

Nancy

Nancy McCammon-Hansen - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM