



## Robert 'Bob' D. Reed

October 23, 1932 - August 10, 2015

Robert D. "Bob" Reed, 82, Kearney, formerly of Arnold, died Monday, August 10, 2015 at the C.H.I. Health Good Samaritan in Kearney. Funeral services will be Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Gary Main officiating. Burial will be at the Sheridan Cemetery in Auburn, NE, Friday, August 14, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. Visitation will be Wednesday, August 12, 2015 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated later. Military rites will be provided by the Kearney American Legion Post #52, Kearney V.F.W. Post #759, and the U.S. Navy Funeral Honors Team.

Bob was born October 23, 1932 in Brownville, Nebraska to Harlan and Neva (Thorn) Reed. He graduated from Auburn High School in 1950. Bob joined the Navy on May 9, 1951 and served during the Korean War until 1955. Bob married Shirley Bolejack on October 23, 1955 in Nemaha. After the service, he earned his teacher's certificate from Peru State College and a Masters and Specialist Degree from Kearney State College. Bob was a teacher and coach in Stapleton, Nebraska for 15 years, where he was awarded the Nebraska coach of the year in 1971 after an undefeated state championship football

season. In 1978 they moved to Arnold where Bob was the Principal for five years and the superintendent for 17 years, and then Custer County superintendent for 9 years. Bob and Shirley moved to Kearney in 2006. While living in Stapleton, Bob was a timer for the Stapleton Rodeo. He was also a referee for high school football and basketball. Bob was a member of the First United Methodist Church, served as a board member of E.S.U unit 10, and an active member of the Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association, Nebraska Coaches Association, Nebraska Counsel of School Administrators, Nebraska State School Board Association, Nebraska School Activity Association, Kearney American Legion Post #52, Lifetime member of the V.F.W., Eagles club, and the Elks. He also enjoyed golfing and spending time with his puppy Max, and socializing with his friends.

Bob is survived by his son Mitchell Reed and wife Joan of North Platte, NE, daughter Susan Bielenberg and husband Ron of Kearney, sister Sandy Leach and husband Ron of Las Vegas, NV, brother Brad Treloar of Las Vegas, NV, sisters-in-law; Deloris West of Nebraska City, NE, Janice Bolejack of Nebraska City, NE, step-sister Barb Moore and her husband Rich of Auburn, NE, grandchildren Kristin and husband Jeremy Hoerle, Juddson Reed and wife Stevie, Bob Bielenberg and wife Kelly, Jim Bielenberg and wife Patty, Mark Bielenberg, great grandchildren; Madie, Gavin, and Scarlet Hoerle, Sam, Sarah, Rachel, Andy, and Erin Bielenberg, and many nieces and nephews.

Bob was preceded in death by his wife, parents, step-parents Herb Treloar, Audre Blankenship, and Meta Reed, grandson Ryan Reed, sister Linda Oestmann, and brother-in-law Robert Bolejack.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **12**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl  
2421 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 237-2259  
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert 'Bob' D. Reed*

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January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Shirley, Mitch and Susie and families - I'm so sorry for your loss. Mr. Reed will be greatly missed. His smile, laugh and sense of humor are unforgettable. He was always giving someone a razzing, but it was all in good fun. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers in this difficult time.*

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**Mary Kramer Smith** - August 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *to the family of Bob Reed  
I sent my deepest thoughts and prayers to you all today for your loving Bob. He was one of my favorite teachers and I had a blast learning how to drive with his as my co-pilot. He was a wonderful person. I know my parents are deceased also had a fond memory of Bob and my brothers all enjoyed him as their football coach. he will be remembered in my daily prayers. Take care*

*Sally and Robert Fitterer  
Broomfield Colorado*

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**Sally (Doyle) Fitterer** - August 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Coach Reed was my football coach and teacher. The things that he taught me in and out of the classroom have been a part of me these many years. Class of 65 - Stapleton*

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**Darrell Howard** - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Bob will be missed by all who knew him, our thoughts and prayers go out to the family at this sad time.

Keith & Annette Gift - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Mr.Reed was always an inspiration to his students and players he coached. My greatest memory was the respect he gave to all the kids, regardless of their skill set on the field or status in the community.That is core to his legacy. I will miss him.

Kent Weems - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ My family and I would like to offer our deepest sympathies to you and your family. We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that you are never alone. Turn to the Holy Scriptures for guidance and to help soothe your heart. Psalms 34:18 assures us that God is near to those broken at heart and crushed in spirit. Please accept our deepest sympathies.

S Ford - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I knew Bob through his tenure as Custer County Schools Superintendent. He was a great guy to work with. I was sorry to see the position eliminated (Class I schools), and he then left to move to Kearney. I'm sure sorry to see him pass at such a young age.

kevin cooksley - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ great old coaching buddy of mine. taught me a lot about coaching.

rodney boots - August 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ RIP COACH.....

Pat Keslar - August 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ I attended Arnold Junior and High Schools from 1987-1992, during Mr. Reed's tenure as Superintendent. He was always positive to and supportive of us. I've never forgotten his kindness.

Gena Hrbek Lane - August 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Mitch and Susie,  
Know that God is with you at this time of great loss. Each tear that you shed will be captured in the hand of God and He will help to heal the pain. I am praying for each of you.  
I remember your Dad as my teacher in History and helped instill in me a love of history.  
Ruby Clark

Ruby Clark - August 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ So sorry to read about Bob's death. We are thinking about you.

Arvid & Althea Wiest - August 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the family. What a great guy! He will be missed.

Doris (Gift) Sweet - August 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ we give you our deepest condolences and are sorry for your loss.  
He was a legacy to many kids in sports in the Arnold/Stapleton area  
as a coach and superintendent. Alan and Charlene Burnside

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**Alan Burnside** - August 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM