



Alan Lee Brown

January 20, 1947 - September 27, 2012

Sutton resident Alan Lee Brown, 65, died Thursday, September 27, 2012, at Mary Lanning HealthCare in Hastings, NE.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 2, 2012, at the Federated Church in Sutton, NE with Rev. Eric Biehl officiating. Interment will follow at the Sutton Cemetery in Sutton, NE., with military honors by the American Legion Post #61, Sutton, NE. Visitation is Monday, from 1 p.m. - 8 p.m., with the family present from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., at Sutton Memorial Chapel in Sutton, NE.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the family to be designated at a later date.

Alan Brown was born January 20, 1947, in Lincoln, NE., to Forrest and Verna (Lamb) Brown. He lived in Western, NE., before moving to Sutton, NE., at age 2 when Forrest and Verna bought the grocery store from the Schmidt brothers. He graduated from Sutton High School in 1965, and then attended Nebraska Wesleyan University, majoring in business. On June 1, 1969, he married Linda Hadfield in Fullerton, NE. He was drafted 3 months later and served in the United States Army in Okinawa, Japan. When he returned, he graduated from college in 1971, and was honorably discharged from the army in 1975.

Alan and Linda moved back to Sutton in 1972, and Alan owned and operated the Brown's Thrift Store with his father and brother, Mark. Alan had 3 children with Linda; Holly, Seth, and Heather. Linda passed away June 30, 2000, and Alan married Huldah Burklund April 13, 2002, in Farwell, NE.

He has been an active member of the Sutton Federated Church and American Legion Post #61. We will remember Alan's joy for celebrating the 4th of July, the love for his family, his kind blue eyes and warm smile. His subtle, witty quips were a joy to those who knew and loved him.

Alan is survived by his wife, Huldah of Sutton, NE; daughter, Holly Lincoln and significant other David Mavigliano, of Lincoln, NE; son, Seth Brown and wife Jennifer of Palmyra, NE; daughter, Heather Osborn and husband Daniel of LaVista, NE; 6 grandchildren, Justin Lincoln; Shayna Lincoln; Ethan Brown; Isabella Brown; Reece Osborn and Ryan Osborn; brother, Mark Brown wife JoAnn of Sutton, NE; mother-in-law, Phyllis Hadfield of Lincoln, NE; sister-in-laws, brother-in-laws and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, wife, Linda Brown; father-in law, Doug Hadfield and mother-in-law Lou Burklund.

Tribute Wall

KW

“ *My deepest sympathy to Alan's family for his passing. We were roommates for nearly four years at Wesleyan. Those were truly enjoyable years.*

Keith D. Willett, Stillwater, OK

Keith Duane Willett - December 29, 2012 at 04:51 PM

AL

“ *We only met you for a short time years ago, but we knew right away you had a kind, gentle soul. We are sad by the news that you had died but knowing the Lord in your heart we knew you are resting in the Lord's hands & we shall see you again someday.*

Ashley & Greg Loomis - December 29, 2012 at 12:54 AM

BH

“ *Alan was my upper bunk mate for 18 months. A quiet and just married friend, he was always there. I remember that he missed his wife and his family. He was a great influence to all of us on that team.*

Bertram Hayes-Davis - December 14, 2012 at 08:09 AM

DV

“ I just read in the TAPS section of the Legion paper that Alan had passed. I am sorry to hear that. Too young for sure. I served with Alan in Okinawa in the finance corp. I was in Okinawa from March of 1970 to August of 1971. He was probably in Fort Benjamin Harrison finance school as well. If I remember correctly Alan was friends with Eldon Schmidt. I lived in Ord, NE for most of my life and Eldon was in the bank there so saw him often. I now live in Omaha NE. Alan was a friendly guy, but that goes without saying being from NE. Hope all is getting better. You have my sympathy.

Dan VanZandt - December 11, 2012 at 07:34 PM

LS

“ Alan and I had a nice visit on my last summer trip to Sutton. He knew to expect a call from me to place a cheese dip order. He had such a quiet manner and a smile that came from within. I have fond memories of our school days together. My prayers and thoughts are with his family during this difficult times.

Linda Walters Silvey - October 02, 2012 at 09:35 AM

DR

“ Heather, we are so sorry to hear about your father. Words seem so small, and we wish we were there to give you a hug and support you. Know our hearts ache with yours. I trust the sadness and tears will change to smiles and happier memories as time passes.

To your entire family, our heartfelt sympathy during this hard time.

Love,
Darien & Margo

Darien and Margo Rye - October 01, 2012 at 09:45 AM

CJ

“ *Brown family... my condolences go to you all. My memories of Alan are that he was a quiet soul and always friendly. My prayers are with you at this time. I pray for peace for you and the strength that God provides during time of sorrow.*

Charles Jacobson - September 29, 2012 at 05:10 PM

JM

“ *We send you all, Huldah, Holly and family, Seth, Jen, E & B, Heather and family, Bonnie, Kathy, Lucy and all families, and Grandma Phyllis, our sympathy, Alan left this earth much to soon, and I know you will miss him forever. Our sympathies, and prayers to you all.*

Jean and Rod Mertz - September 29, 2012 at 02:41 PM

DG

“ *Huldah and family,*

We are sorry to hear of Alan's death. We send you our deepest sympathy.

Don & Esther Griess - September 29, 2012 at 05:26 AM