



Bobbie Gene Mihm

August 3, 1924 - July 12, 2014

Funeral services for Bobbie will be held on Friday, July 18, 2014 at the 10:30 a.m. at the United Church Of Christ in Clay Center, Nebraska. Pastor Cathyann Colson will officiate the services.

Military graveside services will be held following the funeral in the Clay Center Cemetery with Clay Center American Legion Post 87 performing the rites.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with family present from 4-7 p.m. at the McLaughlin Funeral Chapel in Clay Center.

Memorials are directed to the United Church of Christ, American Legion Post 87, or the Clay County Historical Society - Old Trusty Show.

Bobbie was born August 3rd, 1924 in Harvard, NE to Bert and Nora (Krug) Mihm. Bobbie grew up in a household of 11 children. He attended a country school near Harvard. From 1945 to 1947 Bobbie was in the U. S. Navy. He spent many months on the USS Langley ship. On his 21st birthday he went under the Golden Gate Bridge. Bobbie was very proud of being a veteran. He was blessed to be able to go on the Honor Flight to Washington D. C. to see the World War II memorials.

On November 16, 1947, Bobbie married Doris Mae Alberding in Clay Center.

They lived in Clay Center and Bobbie worked as an electrician for Huffaker's Appliance Store. He started farming in 1954 with his father-in-law Ralph Alberding. In 1962, Bob and Doris purchased the Bill Witte farm and lived there until October 2012. They then moved to East Park Villa in Aurora, NE.

Bobbie was an active member of the United Church of Christ, the Clay County Historical Society board, Clay Center Super Seniors, American Legion, life member of the VFW, past member of the Clay County Mutual and Clay Center Coop Boards, and past National Farmers Organization officer. Bobbie and Doris enjoyed square dancing for many years, and he loved to play cards, fish, and hunt. He enjoyed volunteering many hours of time delivering shares program and commodities in the county. Bobbie was on the ground floor of developing the Super Senior Center and through this experience there were many new friendships gained. If there was a tree to be taken down or a building to move, he was right in the middle of it. If something was deemed unfixable it became his personal challenge to figure out how to fix it. He was one of the original founders of the Old Trusty Days Shows and worked long hours every year to ensure it would be a bigger and better show. His passion was John Deere tractors and gas engines, especially the antique ones that he showed every year at Old Trusty Days. Some of his happiest times were spent tinkering with them and he loved the challenge to get them running again. He also collected toy tractors and over the years his collection exceeded 200 toy tractors. His collections of John Deere tractors, both big and small were fed by another hobby-going to auctions. There were always so many parts to fix his tractors with and other good stuff that would come in handy someday. Bobbie would often need trailers to bring home all of his bargains.

Farming, cattle, hogs and the organizations kept him busy. But he still had time to be a good husband and Dad. He taught his family to work, be responsible and be thoughtful and caring. He also taught them that anything can be fixed with duct tape and baling wire!

Bobbie enjoyed life! He believed there was always time to be ornery and laugh and have fun. He always said, "You've got to have a little fun!!"
Bobbie is survived by his wife Doris, son Danny (Kathy) of Sutton, daughters Gayle (Lennie) Roemmich and Beccy (Rick) Tessman, both of Clay Center, sister Donna KinKennon of Ridgecrest, CA, six grandchildren: Shawna (Arden) Beach, Dustin (Erin) Mihm, Tonya (Wayne) Rademacher, Elly Tessman, Zach (Sam) Tessman, and Sayde (Jeremy) Tessman, five great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Mildred Satterlee, Fern Hungerford, Phyllis Waterman, Helen Fergus, Twin sister Bettie Robinson, June Rasmussen, Dorothy Christenson, brothers Earle Mihm and Jimmie Mihm, and great-granddaughter Riley Meyers.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Bobbie and I shared many hours together when he worked for my father, Verner Ham in the 1940's. So many experiences we shared which included feeding cattle and farming in the days when it all had to be done the hard way. Bobbie was a good friend and I regret that we were not able to meet and visit with each other in our later years. I shall never forget him, he was a great friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Keith Ham*

Keith Ham - July 20, 2014 at 06:45 PM

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“ *We were saddened to hear of Bob's passing. The last two times we visited with him was at Old Trusty days a few years ago. We got to visit with him and Doris the first time and then just Bob the last time. Maria has kept us aware of the move to Aurora and let us know of his passing. Doris I know that you and your family will miss him tremendously. Even though I haven't gotten to see you much after Joe and I were divorced, I thought of you. Mom Leichleiter kept in contact with me through the years and would tell me of her visits with you two. I pray for God to give you strength and courage to face the days ahead. May His never ending love and mercy go out to each of you. God bless you! Sherri and family*

Sherri (Leichleiter) Nelson - July 18, 2014 at 09:33 AM

JH

“ *our friendship with bobbie will never be forgot... he was a wonderful friend. We are very sorry for your lose.*

joe&deb hankins - July 17, 2014 at 05:27 PM

KE

“ *My family and I extend our sympathy to all. Bobbie was such a fun person to be with! I know my parents, Alvin & Betty Mihm are welcoming him with open arms in the kingdom above! We had such good times, the visits, the cattle, the parties! He will be missed!*

Kim Mihm Emil - July 15, 2014 at 09:06 AM

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“ *our thoughts are with all of the family*

ryan and amy winter family - July 14, 2014 at 12:42 PM