



Kendall W.

November 19, 1929 - April 26, 2019

Sutton, NE resident Kendall W. Ham, 89, passed away peacefully Friday, April 26, 2019, at the Henderson Community Hospital in Henderson, NE.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Monday, April 29, 2019, at the Federated Church in Sutton, NE with Rev. Mary Scott officiating. Interment will follow at the Saronville United Methodist Cemetery near Saronville, NE.

Visitation will be Sunday, from 1 p.m. - 8 p.m., with the family greeting friends from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., at Sutton Memorial Chapel in Sutton, NE.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Saronville United Methodist Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund.

Kendall was born November 19, 1929, to Ivan and Ruth (Kendall) Ham on a farm southeast of Sutton, NE. He attended two schools in Fillmore County until the family moved to a farm south of Saronville. After graduating from Sutton High School in 1946, he attended Kearney State College and the University of Nebraska Lincoln Ag College. He then began farming with his father and later on his own.

On August 27, 1950, he married Margaret "Marge" McBride and they moved to the family farm. They had three children - Don, Rick and Terri. Kendall loved living on the farm with his family and especially enjoyed raising cattle.

Kendall and Marge also enjoyed square dancing, roller skating and playing pitch with friends and neighbors.

Kendall served on church boards and the Sutton Coop Propane Board. He was elected to the Clay County Board of Supervisors and served 16 years, several as Chairman. He enjoyed meeting many people and working with other County employees and officials.

After semi-retiring, he enjoyed time spent with his grandchildren on the farm. They took turns with the Gator either riding with Grandpa or driving themselves. After over 60 years in farming and the cattle business, they sold their farmstead and moved to Sutton. There they enjoyed flowers and gardening, as well as visits from family and friends.

Kendall is survived by his wife of over 68 years, Marge, of Sutton; his three children, Don (Jeannette) of Lincoln; Rick (Carla) of Henderson, NV; and Terri (Terry) McGinnis of Sutton; grandchildren, Amanda (Josh) Ziemba; Mitch (fiancée Mary Slattery); Julianne (fiancé Trevor Fosler); Lindsay (Jeremy) Holm; Mason, Ian, Tyler (Katie), Emilee (Adam) Soukup; Lauren (Billy) Allen and Hailee (friend Turner Dahl) Hanthorn; great-grandchildren, Parker and Karsyn Ziemba; Evie and Carter Holm; Nora, Mavis and Claire Ham; Rylee Soukup and Finn Allen; sister, Beverly Epp; brother-in-law, John (Jan) McBride; and numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Kendall was preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Ruth (Kendall) Ham; sister and brother-in-law, Jeannine and Wayne Erickson; infant sister, Arden Elaine and brother-in-law, Elmer Epp.

Tribute Wall

CK

“ I am so sorry for your loss he was a good neighbor and friend to my family and will be sorely missed. Sending prayers and hugs to the family.

Carol krause - May 03, 2019 at 07:05 PM

KS

“ Sending my love and holding dear all my wonderfully precious memories of Uncle Kendall. I am with you all today in spirit.

Kristin Swanson - April 29, 2019 at 11:19 AM

MC

“ So sorry for your loss, the entire Ham Family. Prayers to all6

Marilyn Campbell - April 29, 2019 at 05:35 AM

TK

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers are with you all during this time. Please remember the memories and the angel wings wrapped around you now.

Tish and Bill Kohler - April 28, 2019 at 09:14 PM

SE

“ Kendall will be missed. What a very special man.

Sherry Ebert - April 28, 2019 at 06:34 PM

KE

“ To the entire Ham family,
I am so sorry for your family's loss. I have many, many, many, fond memories of our Christmas times at the family farm south of Saronville. We were upstairs playing, mothers were preparing delicious Christmas dinner, and fathers were discussing cattle with a bunch of laughs in between. I always admired Kendall, and still do, for his hard work and dry sense of humor. I know he will rest in peace about 20 feet away from Ivan and Ruth, and Jeannine and Wayne amongst others.

Kevin Erickson - April 28, 2019 at 02:29 PM

KW

“ My condolences to you Marge and your family as well as Kendal's sister Beverly.
My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Kenneth L. Wells - April 27, 2019 at 01:07 PM