



Lorraine Edwin Bauer

December 15, 1939 - August 24, 2018

Clay Center resident Loraine "Butch" Edwin Bauer, 78, passed away Friday, August 24, 2018, at Mary Lanning Healthcare in Hastings, NE.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at McLaughlin Funeral Chapel in Clay Center, NE with Pastor Mike Ulmer officiating. Interment will follow at the Clay Center Cemetery with military honors by the American Legion Mills-Schroder Post #87. In honoring his wishes there will be no viewing or visitation.

In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Clay Center Fire and Rescue Units.

Lorraine was born December 15, 1939, in Fillmore County, NE to William Daniel and Sarah Christina (Griess) Bauer. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1962, at the age of 23. He did his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX and served 21 years before retiring. Lorraine was an E-8 Senior Master Sergeant and serviced airplanes. He was stationed at Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, NE., Del Rio, TX., Moses Lake, WA., El Centro, CA., Edwards Air Force Base, CA, and in Guam where he serviced the C5, the largest plane in the U.S. Forces. Lorraine also served two tours in Vietnam where he was exposed to Agent Orange working on the Tomahawk Airplane.

He is survived by three sisters, Donna May Ulmer of Montana; Marian Griess of York, NE and Betty Hesselgesser of Florida; brother, Ronald Bauer of Geneva, NE and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Sarah; two sisters, Ilene Miller and Ruth Schmidt and two brothers, Bill Bauer and Laurence Bauer.

Lorraine will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Tribute Wall

WH

“ *Farwell O'Great One*

William Hille - September 30, 2020 at 07:37 PM

BH

“ *Thank you for being the wonderful uncle that you were. We will miss you!*

Beth (Bauer) Hunter - August 29, 2018 at 08:13 PM

NM

“ *Butch will always be remembered how kind he was to all of his nieces and nephews. he could humor us with a joke or two. We would make it a point to find him when we came home to CC. He could be found at the coffee shop if he wasn't at home tinkering with a mower. He is now with his parents, sisters and brothers in God's house. Rest in Peace Uncle Butch.*

Norman & Patricia Miller - August 28, 2018 at 11:01 AM

NM

“ *You will be missed by all of your friends and relatives. We always enjoyed visiting you at the coffee shop in CC when we came home. The time at the Wichita Zoo with my kids is one of the many memories that is always on my mind and how you treated your nieces and nephews with your humor and jokes. I hope that you will enjoy being with your parents and siblings in God's house. Rest in Peace Uncle Butch*

Norman & Patricia Miller - August 28, 2018 at 10:21 AM

WB

“ I remember when I was stationed at Camp Pendleton while in the Marines you took myself and my brother James to a movie. We went to see Star Wars in Oceanside California. You were stationed In El Centro at the time. I will truly remember that forever. Your stories and memories of growing up and your service were always interesting. You will be missed deeply.

William Bauer - August 28, 2018 at 09:51 AM

WJ

“ I remember your great sense of humor. Also all the great stories you had about growing up and your time in the Air Force. I also remember when I was in the Marine Corps stationed at Camp Pendleton and you took my brother James and I to the movie Star Wars in Oceanside. I will remember that forever since it was a great surprise. You were a great uncle and will be missed greatly.

William Bauer Jr. - August 26, 2018 at 08:09 PM

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“ Uncle Loraine, you were ALWAYS my favorite uncle 🥰 I remember when I was little and were told that you were coming to visit us in Washington, how EXCITED I was that you were coming to see us! You ALWAYS had something funny to say, and even at my young age i could tell that you really loved life. When my husband and I came through Nebraska one time, we stopped by your place so that you could meet my husband who was also in the Air force. You took us out and showed us the many many lawnmowers that you were working on 😊 I know one thing for sure, Heaven will have the Best running lawn mowers EVER!!! Love to you always until we see each other again 🥰 Salome

Salome Wilkins (Hesselgesser) - August 26, 2018 at 12:44 PM

BH

“ I know there are a lot of people that will miss you doing things for them as well giving them good sound advise.
My kids all have nothing but good to say about you.
We had our good times throughout life as well as our misunderstandings.
We love you and will miss you, but we know you are healthy now and are with mom, dad, 2 sisters and 2 brothers.
RIP big brother.

Betty Hesselgesser - August 26, 2018 at 12:22 PM

JP

“ Uncle Butch you are greatly missed and I will always remember your smiling faces and infectious laughter. There wasn't a person out there you didn't have some kind of positive influence in their lives. I will not mow the lawn without smiling thinking about your love for tinkering on small engines and collections of lawn mowers that I remember as a kid.

Jen Petetson - August 26, 2018 at 12:01 PM