



Virgil Ivan Johnson

January 29, 1930 - September 11, 2020

Sutton resident Virgil Ivan Johnson, 90, passed away Friday, September 11, 2020.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at Hope Reformed Church in Sutton, NE with Pastor Scott Henry officiating. Services will be live-streamed on the Hope Reformed Church Facebook page. Graveside services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, at the Harvard Cemetery in Harvard, NE with military honors by the American Legion Argonne Post #61, Sutton, NE. Visitation will be Tuesday, from 1 p.m. - 8 p.m., with the family present from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m., at Sutton Memorial Chapel in Sutton, NE.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the family to be designated later.

Virgil was born on January 29, 1930, on a farm by Saronville, NE, the son of Ivan and Esther (Trautman) Johnson.

He graduated from Harvard High School in 1947 and attended the University of Nebraska. In 1950 he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. Virgil was stationed in England for three and a half years during the Korean Conflict.

While serving in the military he met Doreen King of Leicester, England, and

they married on February 21, 1953.

They returned to the family farm near Harvard in 1954. Virgil spent 55 years farming and ranching on the family homestead. He was President of Harvard Development, member of the Harvard Methodist Church, American Legion of Sutton, VFW of Harvard, and Harvard Townhouse Corporation. He enjoyed traveling, playing cards with family and friends, watching sporting events, feeding cattle and going to the sale barn.

Survivors include his wife, Doreen (Nadine); children, Timothy (Joan) of Harvard; Rodney (Lisa) of Sutton; Bradley of Harvard; Nicholas (Julie) of Sutton; Kelly (David) Landgren of Hastings; and Stacy (John) Connor of Lincoln; sisters, Sherol Stone of Sutton and Wanda (Don) Keller of Harvard; 14 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Virgil was preceeded in death by his parents, Ivan and Esther Johnson; son, Douglas; and brother-in-law, Bob Stone.

Tribute Wall

JC

“*Condolences to the entire family on the passing of Virgil. What a great man- God's servant, humble, smart, friendly, fun and kind. His actions always displayed his priorities: God, family, friends, community and Agriculture. He will be missed but always remembered.*

*John Connor II
Georgia*

John Connor - September 16, 2020 at 01:36 PM

WC

“*Our deepest sympathy and condolences to all the family on your loss. Virgil will be missed by so many friends. Our thoughts are with you in your time of sorrow, and we pray that you may find some small comfort in your man happy memories. We are making a donation in Virgil's memory to the Harvard United Methodist Church.*

Warren & Karen Christensen - September 15, 2020 at 09:02 AM

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“*Keeping you all in our prayers during this time of loss. Thinking of the many great memories from baseball with Kyle, and talking to Virg after the games.*

Cory, Abbey Griess & Family - September 14, 2020 at 08:22 PM

KC

“*Dear Kelly, Dave and family, Our sympathy to you on the death of your Dad. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Hugs to you, my friend*

Kathy and Bill Carlin - September 12, 2020 at 08:41 PM