



Lawrence Lichti

July 16, 1933 - April 28, 2019

Lawrence Vernon Lichti was born to Alvin Lichti and Ruth (Kauffman) Lichti on July 16, 1933 at rural Ong, NE, and passed away April 28, 2019, at Heritage Crossings in Geneva, NE at the age of 85. He was one of two children in the family.

Lawrence was a lifelong resident of Shickley. He graduated with the Shickley High School class of 1950. He loved keeping in touch with his classmates through the years. In 2000, he and Edna hosted a 50th Anniversary gathering in their home. In 1954, Lawrence and his brother Richard started Lichti Bros. Oil Co. They had a Full-Service Filling Station and delivery trucks for gasoline, diesel, and heating oil. Through the years, propane delivery and convenience stores were added. For a time, Lawrence and Richard also ran a transport company and had a construction crew.

Lawrence was married to Edna Faye Kempf of Shickley on October 10, 1954, and they had two sons, Douglas and Timothy.

Lawrence was a lifelong active member of Salem Mennonite Church in rural Shickley. He served the community as a Volunteer Fireman, a member of the Shickley Board of Education, and on the governing board of Educational Service Unit #6. Lawrence was an avid Shickley proponent, serving on the Shickley Community Improvement Project board, as an instigator of the Shickley Community Foundation, and serving with numerous other organizations. He served his industry on the Nebraska Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association Board, as a member and President of the Nebraska Propane Gas Association, for 12 years on the Board of Directors of the National Propane Association, and as chairman of the National "Ancient Gassers," a gathering of veteran members of the propane industry. After retirement, he thoroughly enjoyed serving with the Nebraska State Patrol Motorist Assist Program for seven years.

Lawrence was preceded in death by his parents Alvin and Ruth Lichti, parents-in-law Roy and Barbara Kempf, sister-in-law Roine and her husband Ivan Birky, sister-in-law Bernice Steider, and brother-in-law Wayne and his wife Esther Kempf.

He is survived by his wife Edna, of Shickley; his brother Richard (Wilma), of Geneva; sons Dr. Douglas (Gayle) of Omaha, and Timothy (Judy) of Shickley; grandchildren Kristin (Dave Kaiser), Brandon (Michelle) Lichti, Sara (Forrest Schaeffer), Erin (Van VanderSchaaf), Kate (Caleb Hendrickson), Anna (Lane Baker), and Chris; 7 great-grandchildren; his brother-in-law Lowell Steider, of Geneva; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Funeral Service for Lawrence was held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at Salem Mennonite Church in Shickley, Nebraska. Pastor Shawn Nolt officiated the services. Marti Alfs provided the prelude and postlude music. Don Kempf led the congregation in the singing of "How Great Thou Art," "Amazing Grace," and "Doxology." Lawrence's grandchildren sang the special musical selection, "A Living Prayer."

Pallbearers for the service included Brandon Lichti, David Kaiser, Forrest Schaeffer, Chris Lichti, Van VanderSchaaf, Caleb Hendrickson, and Lane Baker.

Interment was held in the Salem Mennonite Cemetery following the Funeral Service.

Farmer & Son Funeral Home was in care of the arrangements and online condolences can be left at www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com

Memorials are suggested to the Shickley Community Foundation, PO Box 372, Shickley, NE 68436.

Comments



“ Jim Buckwalter sent a virtual gift in memory of Lawrence Lichti



Jim Buckwalter - May 04, 2019 at 04:39 PM



“ What a terrible lose to the world, and his family and friends.

Lawrence and I rode together with the Nebraska Motorist Assist

Program (Nenap) for a number of years. He was an

extraordinary man as we,

patrolled the interstate looking for people to help. And when we

found them, Lawrence, made them feel at ease and safe.

There were a number of stories we shared together.

But , he all ways made sure the stranded people got safely back

on the road and on to their destination

I don't remember exactly the date, but the day of his last shift,

he told me he had cancer and would not be riding with me any

more. We hugged each other and I cried.

So to the family and friends, I say I am sorry for your lose. But

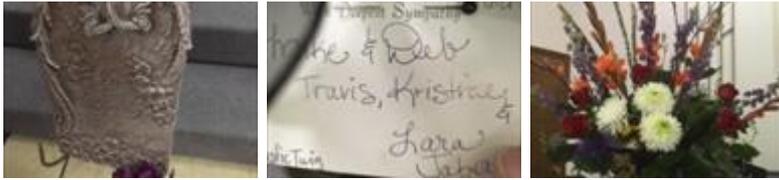
we all know he is in a better place and pain free.

Jim Buckwalter

Jim Buckwalter - May 04, 2019 at 04:59 PM



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Farmer & Son Funeral Home - May 01, 2019 at 12:37 PM



“ Deepest sympathy at this difficult time. Ray and Nancy Labahn



Nancy Labahn - May 01, 2019 at 11:14 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lawrence Lichti.



April 30, 2019 at 07:58 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Lichti.



April 30, 2019 at 01:16 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Lawrence Lichti.



April 30, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lawrence Lichti.



April 30, 2019 at 10:13 AM



“ Edna and family: We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Lawrence was a friend and person who was always the same. He served his community in many ways all of his life. Carroll and Joan Barnes

carroll Barnes - April 30, 2019 at 09:56 AM



“ Extending my deepest sympathy to Edna and her family. Great memories of the Lichti family.

Jenice (Anderson) Bates

Jenice Bates - April 30, 2019 at 09:00 AM



“ Bob & Marge Bedlan lit a candle in memory of Lawrence Lichti



Bob & Marge Bedlan - April 29, 2019 at 06:01 PM



“ Caleb Rippe lit a candle in memory of Lawrence Lichti



Caleb Rippe - April 29, 2019 at 05:16 PM



“ Sympathy and prayers to you Edna and family. Lawrence was a pillar of the community and will be missed

Sandra Schafer-Nagy - April 29, 2019 at 03:55 PM



“ Kent & Rose Theobald lit a candle in memory of Lawrence Lichti



Kent & Rose Theobald - April 29, 2019 at 01:47 PM



“ Edna, Dr. Doug, Tim and families-

Our sincere sympathy to each of you and your families in the loss of your Husband, Father and Grandfather. Lawrence's friendship meant the world to me and I will never forget his kindnesses through the years.

I am sorry we will not be able to attend Lawrence's memorial service.

May his memory shine through your sorrow and give you comfort.

The peace of Christ be with each of you now and in the days ahead.

Sincerely
Larry and Barbara Eichelberger

Larry Eichelberger - April 29, 2019 at 11:45 AM