



Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman

November 4, 1948 - September 10, 2025

Jackie Roy "Jack" Hoffman was born to Elvin Roy Hoffman and Goldie (Kubicek) Hoffman on November 4th, 1948, at Warren Memorial Hospital in Friend, Nebraska, and passed away on September 10th, 2025, at Ridgewood Rehab and Care Center in Seward, Nebraska, at the age of 76 years, 10 months and 6 days. He was an only child.

Jack spent his early years on a farm near Milligan, until age three. The family then moved to a farm seven miles south of Friend. He lived there until July 2025, when he moved to Ridgewood in Seward. Jack attended District 52, a country school, from kindergarten through eighth grade before continuing his education at Friend Public Schools, graduating in 1967. After high school, he joined the Navy and was first stationed in San Diego, where he attended machinist school. In 1969, he was transferred to Andrews Air Force Base in Washington, D.C., where he served in the motor pool. Jack was honorably discharged in 1970 and returned home to farm alongside his parents until their retirement.

Jack was married to Beth Christenson of Beaver Crossing, Nebraska, on December 15th, 1978, and to them 3 children were born: Jenny, Joe, and Dustin.

Jack served as the commander of the Friend American Legion and as a

member of the Friend Public School Board for several years. He also led the Friend Rural Fire Board as its president for many years. Jack had a wide range of interests—he loved attending consignment sales and farm auctions, collecting Christmas lights from garage sales, and sharing stories about his children and grandchildren. A fan of sprint car racing, he especially enjoyed watching and participating with his three children. In the early 1980s, Jack earned his certified pilot's license and spent many hours flying his plane. Music was another passion of his; he played the tuba throughout high school and continued performing with various polka bands after high school. As the years went on, Jack could often be found cheering at his grandchildren's events. He was also known for making time to stop along the road to catch up on neighborhood news.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents, Elvin and Goldie Hoffman; aunt, Albie Hoffman; and uncle Clarence (Bud) Hoffman.

Jack is survived by his loving wife, Beth Hoffman of Friend, Nebraska; daughter, Jenny Frevert and her husband, Brad, along with their three daughters: Lila, Violette, and Dottie all of Seward, Nebraska; son, Joe Hoffman and his wife, Jessica, and their three children: Dean, Heath, and Catherine all of Hoyt, Kansas; son, Dustin Hoffman and his wife, Mollie, and their son, Myles, also of Hoyt, Kansas; cousins, Dean and Danny Hoffman; as well as countless friends and neighbors who will cherish his memory.

A Funeral Service for Jack was held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at Farmer & Son Funeral Home – Kotas Chapel in Milligan, Nebraska. Kim Dunker presided over the Funeral Service. The recorded selections "Grandpa" and "Tic Tock Polka."

Pallbearers included Doug Hayek, Darrel Hayek, Collin Hayek, Kevin Spicka, Lyle Hayek, and Harold Janda.

A Graveside Service with Military Honors was held in the Bohemian National Cemetery, Milligan, Nebraska. Military Honors were performed by the Friend American Legion Ford-Banka Post 183 and the United States Navy Honor Guard.

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 family for future designation.

Cemetery Details

Bohemian National Cemetery

Milligan, NE 68406

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 16. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer & Son Funeral Home-Kotas Chapel
Main Street
Milligan, NE 68406
(402) 759-3617
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

Family Present for Visitation

SEP 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Farmer & Son Funeral Home-Kotas Chapel
Main Street
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Funeral Service

SEP 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

SEP 17 (CT)

Bohemian National Cemetery
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Tribute Wall

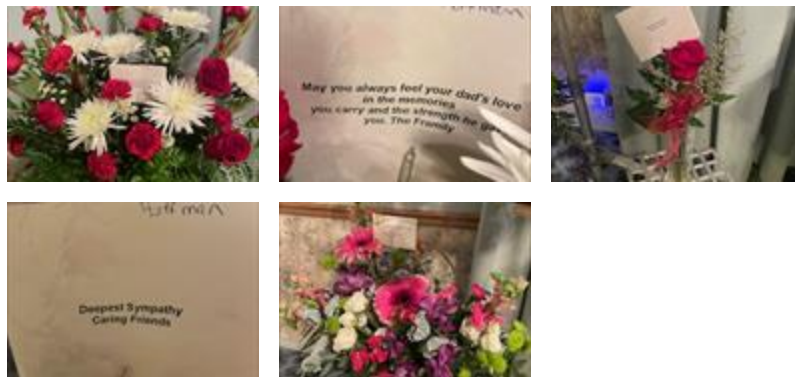
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“ *Deepest sympathy Beth and to the family. I have fond memories of visiting with Jack at shop easy trying to solve The world's problems .*

Dianne Corbett - September 18, 2025 at 08:31 AM



“ *30 files added to the album Flower Pictures*



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - September 17, 2025 at 01:22 PM

DB

“ *Diana Black purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.*



Diana Black - September 16, 2025 at 11:28 AM

LR

“ *Beth and Family - We are sorry to hear of Jack's passing. Our sincerest and deepest sympathy to you all. Jose & Lynne (Duba) Rivera*

Lynne Rivera-Duba - September 15, 2025 at 07:43 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.



September 15, 2025 at 07:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.

September 15, 2025 at 07:29 PM



“ The Duba's purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.



The Duba's - September 15, 2025 at 02:06 PM



“ Ben, Terrin, Brian & Tara Mohl purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.



Ben, Terrin, Brian & Tara Mohl - September 14, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ Played in the HS band with Jack. RIP tuba man

Tim Lyons - September 12, 2025 at 10:36 PM

TF

“ *The Framily purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.*



The Framily - September 12, 2025 at 10:19 PM

CM

“ *Beth and family
Sorry to hear about Jacks passing, you all are in my thoughts and prayers.
Connie Mosher*

Connie Mosher - September 12, 2025 at 09:32 PM

KS

“ *Beth, Dustin, Joe, Jenny and all your families, we are so sorry to hear of this. We had many good times with you and will always remember the good days. Our thoughts and prayers to all of you.
Kevin and Kathy Spicka*

Kevin Spicka - September 11, 2025 at 07:51 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jackie R. "Jack" Hoffman.*



September 11, 2025 at 06:32 PM