



## Junior E. Bartels

April 1, 2013 - August 7, 2013

Funeral Services for Junior were held Saturday, August 10, 2013 at the Zion Lutheran Church rural Tobias, Nebraska.

Burial was in the Tobias Cemetery and memorials are directed to the family for later designation.

Junior Emil Bartels was born to Emil August Bartels and Hannah (Schafer) Bartels on April 1, 1926, at Tobias, Nebraska, and passed away on August 7, 2013 at Bryan East Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska at the age of 87 years, 4 months, and 6 days. He was one of 3 children in the family.

While growing up, Junior attended Zion Lutheran School and Tobias High School. He farmed in the Tobias area his entire life. Junior was married to Dorthy Mae Garbers of Columbus, Nebraska on June 1, 1947. Five children were born to this union.

Junior served on the county and state FSA boards. He was also a lifelong member of the Zion Lutheran Church, serving as an elder, trustee, school board member, and LLL member.

His hobbies included gardening, especially sweet corn, and antique tractors. He was proud to be born on April Fool's Day, as he enjoyed collecting and redistributing jokes, and he was a real master of practical jokes.

Junior was preceded in death by his parents; his brother-in-law Gene Jordan; and his nephews Steve Jordan and Terry Bartels.

He is survived by his wife Dorthy of Tobias; his sons Bob (Judy) Bartels of

Tobias, Joe (Christine) Bartels of Seward, Dave (Lauren) Bartels of Omaha, Scott (Janette) Bartels of Western; daughter Pat (Dennis) DeWald of Omaha; brother Eugene (Beverly) Bartels of Tobias; sister Priscilla (Ben) Scholl of Tomball, Texas; 14 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Some of my best memories are of hunting on the Bartels land in Tobias. Every time I visited (and there were many), Junior always treated me like another member of the family, even though I was just tagging along with David. Sharing Thanksgiving dinner, watching Buddy amble on over to us, leaving the house early morning to hunt in the red sunrise--I'm so grateful for the welcome Junior and his family extended to me.*

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**Curt McDermott** - August 09, 2013 at 01:47 PM

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“ *You have my deepest sympathies. I remember all the good times we had.*

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**Bob Newby** - August 09, 2013 at 10:27 AM