



Lawrence J. Webb

February 25, 1929 - August 2, 2013

Lawrence J. Webb was born to Dewey F. Webb and Margueriete (Murphy) Webb in Tecumseh, Nebraska on February 25, 1929. After a long and happy life with his wife, Darlene F. Webb of 59 years, Lawrence passed away at his home on August 2, 2013.

L.J. grew to an adult in Tecumseh, Nebraska where he was an outstanding student and athlete in football, basketball, and track (president and captains in high school). Later, he attended Peru State College on a track scholarship and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1951. The same year, he was drafted in the Army. This was the start of the Korean War. Webb was a Cryptography Specialist and rose to the rank of Sergeant with an honorable discharge in November 1953. Reliability and adherence are only a couple of the qualities that he gained from his experience in the Army. These qualities were reflected in his later days as a partner, a friend, a husband, and a father. After being discharged from the Army, he came back to work for the Nebraska State Highway Department for 8 years and rose to the rank of engineer. After this in 1961, he worked for Maury Corporation for 8 years where they built box culverts and bridges. This led to the beginning of his own business that we know today as L.J. Webb Contractor. A solid and well deserved man with 40 years of creating jobs and friendships among the community.

He met his wife, the former Darlene Goracke, after being in the Army and together they raised a family of boys, Michael, Robert and William. Robert married Elizabeth Miller and brought to Larry yet another role in his life, as a

grandfather to Austin and Jill Spurling, and Patrick and Andrew. Lawrence is also survived by his brother Kenneth and sister-in-laws Denise and Virginia. L.J. is now joined in death with his mother Margueriete, father Dewey, brothers William, Richard, James and sister-in-laws Patricia and Rosemary. Not only did he love to be around his family but all the many friends as well. Some of his favorite activities included playing golf and going to sporting events. But he did enjoy his alone time, as any wise man would. On occasion, he enjoyed puffing on his tobacco and drinking drambuie with his coffee watching movies and sports in his home basement. L.J. once was known by his young grandnephew as “the man that drives around in that red pickup and lives in the basement.”

L.J. became well known because of what he gave to his community. Giving was in his nature. Webb was a member of St. Joseph’s Catholic church, Association of General Contractors (honorary life member), American Legion, VFW, National Rifle Association, University of Nebraska Foundation & Touchdown Club and the Alumni of Peru State College.

Larry’s day life became very busy, but he never missed a nap or a good rest. He always made plenty of time for his soul to know his belonging in the unknown world to come. He knows it now in his final rest. Thank you for your thoughts and may we all be blessed.

Funeral services were conducted from the St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Geneva, Nebraska, on Thursday, August 8, 2013, with Father Edwin Stander. Organist Nancy Jo Galusha provided prelude and postlude music. Guitarist and Vocalist Karl Brinkman sang “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”, “Amazing Grace”, “Wind Beneath My Wings” and “On Eagle’s Wings.

Casket bearers were Leon McNeir, Leo Lott, Dick Sieber, Don Dunkin, George Volkmer and Ed Krofta. Honorary Casket bearers were Joseph Webb, David Webb, Patrick James Webb, Bud Curl, Frank Thurber, Steve Webb and Stewart Webb. Military graveside services by Tecumseh American Legion were held in the Tecumseh Cemetery with Farmer & Son Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Tribute Wall

CB

“ Larry was a brilliant,hardworking businessman and good to everyone who worked for him. I worked with him for years at Maury Corporation in the '60's. My sympathy to the family.
Charline Komarek Brown

Charline Brown - August 21, 2013 at 12:30 PM

RU

“ Webb Family,
From our family to yours, we lift you up during this difficult time with prayers for strength and comfort. May you all find the strength to endure the time it takes to heal and that you may find comfort in the many great memories you have of your father, grandfather and husband!
L.J. was a great man and we all remember him for the strong family he led and the many contributions he made to the community in which he lived!
Regards,
The Urschel's Alan Urschel Kim, John and Nate Hixon Scott,
Marilyn, Ben, Sam & Molly Urschel Robb, Kelly & Lauren Urschel

Robb Urschel - August 13, 2013 at 10:07 AM

LT

“ Darlene, I was so sorry to hear of L.J's passing. May you find comfort in your many wonderful memories. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely, Lynnelle, Jameson, Huntington & Alexis Trauger

Lynnelle Trauger - August 08, 2013 at 04:29 PM

GH

“ Please accept our sincere sympathy...your family is in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time.

Gary and Mary Herr - August 07, 2013 at 11:46 AM

LB

“ Bob & Beth: My thoughts and prayers are with you in your loss. May you find comfort in your faith and memories.

Lorri Barbur Burns - August 05, 2013 at 11:17 AM

AB

“ Aunt Darlene we are keeping you and your family in our prayers. We'll see you Thursday.
Love you

Arnie and Barb - August 05, 2013 at 10:10 AM

LR

“ I knew Larry for over 50 yrs.He was a good customer and a GREAT friend. I will miss him.

Larry Rose - August 04, 2013 at 08:18 AM

PK

“ Mike and family, I am so sorry to hear of LJ's passing. My deepest sympathy to the Webb family.

Paula Kaiser-Asmus - August 03, 2013 at 01:21 PM

KA

“ We are very sorry for your loss. May God comfort you in this time on need.

Ken Adkisson - August 03, 2013 at 09:24 AM