



Sterling J. Dyer

March 23, 1934 - December 3, 2022

Sterling Jay Dyer was born to William Jennings “Jay” & Ruby Kathryn (Green) Dyer on March 23, 1934, in Lincoln, Nebraska. He passed away on December 3, 2022, at the Heritage Crossings Nursing Home in Geneva, Nebraska at the age of 88 years, 8 months, and 11 days. He was one of two children born in the family.

Sterling attended School District 95, which was located on the southeast corner of their farm. He graduated from Exeter Public School with the class of 1951. After graduation, Sterling began working for George Lovegrove farming and following the harvest. Later, he drove livestock trucks. He also helped his dad farm and bought land of his own. Sterling was drafted into the United States Army on May 5, 1954 and was stationed in South Korea, the 11th Field Artillery, as a Radio Repairman. During the last 10 months of his service, he was station below the DMZ looking into North Korea. Sterling was honorably discharged from the Army on April 25, 1956. He then returned home to his passion for farming.

On February 26, 1982, Sterling married Caroline Hiatt. Caroline passed away in 1987. Sterling kept busy harvesting with Ernie & Larry Becwar and spending time with family, which was very important to him. Sterling married Sharon Luksik on December 27, 1998. He loved his step-daughters, Amy and Angela, son-in-law Mike, and grandchildren Carter Bell and Abbie & Jacen Osterholt.

Sterling was a member of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Exeter and also the William Sullivan Exeter American Legion Post 218.

Sterling was preceded in death by his parents Jay & Ruby and first wife Caroline.

He is survived by his wife Sharon of Exeter, Nebraska; step-daughters Amy (Mike) Osterholt of Kearney, Nebraska and Angela Bell of Omaha, Nebraska; grandchildren Carter Bell of Omaha, Nebraska and Abbie & Jacen Osterholt of Kearney, Nebraska; sister Shirley Lovegrove of Fairmont, Nebraska; nephews Jim (Paula) Lovegrove of Geneva, Nebraska, John (Patrice) Lovegrove of Fairmont, Nebraska, Bob (Vicki) Lovegrove of Fairmont, Nebraska; and great nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A Funeral Service for Sterling was held on Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Exeter. Kim Dunker presided over the Funeral Service. Shirley Milton accompanied the congregation in the singing of "Here I Am Lord" and "Amazing Grace."

Pallbearers for the Funeral Service included John Lovegrove, Bob Lovegrove, Justin Lovegrove, Brandon Lovegrove, John Finkner, and John Becker. Honorary Pallbearers included Jim Lovegrove, Carter Bell, Mike Osterholt, Jacen Osterholt, and George Erdkamp.

A Graveside Service with Military Honors was held in the Exeter Cemetery following the Funeral Service. Military Honors were performed by the William Sullivan Exeter American Legion Post 218.

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 Exeter American Legion or the Exeter Community Club.

Cemetery Details

Exeter Cemetery

Exeter, NE 68351

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 7. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer Funeral Home
305 South Burlington Avenue
Exeter, NE 68351
(402) 266-3621
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

United Church Of Christ
305 South Exeter
Exeter, NE 68351

Tribute Wall



“ 26 files added to the album Flower pictures



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - December 09, 2022 at 04:21 PM

LK

“ I have fond memories of working with Sterling. Besides business he always brought me up to date on the family. I could tell that he was very proud of everyone. May your memories of his life bring you comfort in this sad time. Peace be with you. Larry Kopsa

Larry Kopsa - December 07, 2022 at 07:42 PM

LK

“ Larry Kopsa lit a candle in memory of Sterling Dyer



Larry Kopsa - December 07, 2022 at 06:44 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Sterling J. Dyer.



December 07, 2022 at 09:34 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Sterling J. Dyer.*



December 07, 2022 at 09:32 AM

KT

“ *Kent Rose Theobald lit a candle in memory of Sterling Dyer*



Kent & Rose Theobald - December 06, 2022 at 09:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sterling J. Dyer.*



December 06, 2022 at 12:36 PM

PO

“ *Pete Elaine Oldehoeft lit a candle in memory of Sterling Dyer*



Pete & Elaine Oldehoeft - December 06, 2022 at 10:01 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sterling J. Dyer.*



December 06, 2022 at 09:22 AM

BT

“ *Prayers and Sympathy.*



Barb Trapp - December 05, 2022 at 12:35 PM