

RUTER, Clarence K.

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Wilmar, Minnesota
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Clarence K. Ruter

Clarence K. Ruter was born August 21, 1927 at Wilmar, MN. His parents were Claus and Annie (Bauman) Ruter.

He grew up and received his education in Pennock, MN. He served in the US Army during WWII in Japan with the 7th Cavalry. He married Sylvia Ellingson on August 20, 1948. He was a highline electrician for 35 years and a member of IBEW Local 160. He was an avid lover of animals, especially horses and broke and drove teams of horses. He was a true cowboy.

Clarence passed away on January 8, 2004 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Viborg. He had

attained the age of 76 years, 4 months, and 18 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and two brothers.

Clarence is survived by his wife Sylvia of Viborg; five daughters Karen (Gary) Karoly of St. Paul, NE, Carol Langin of S. Sioux City, NE, Bonnie (Bill) Koch of Sherman, Dawn (Dean) Eli of Irene, and Debbie (Tom) Barker of Derry, NH; four sons Mark (Cheryl) of Montrose, Scott, Kelly (Jennifer), and David (Stephanie) all of Sioux Falls; 28 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; two brother Henry (Jeanette) of Pennock, MN and Claus of New Prague, MN; three sisters Tina (Todd) Bratsch, Louise (Aldrich) Aasen, and Doris (Dick) Lyman all of Willmar, MN; and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 12, 2004 at First

Baptist Church, Viborg, with Pastor Charles Glanzer officiating. Kathy Olsen was the organist and the soloist was Sue Mellegard.

Pallbearers were Chad Ruter, Thomas Mortimer III, Royce Ruter, Andrew Langin, Joel Barker, Jeremiah Barker, Matthew Mortimer and Jonathon Barker. Interment was at Turkey Valley Baptist Cemetery.
