

KNUTSON, EVERETT
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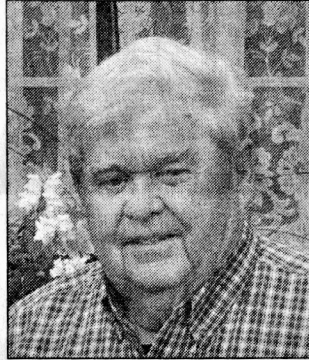
Everett Knutson

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Everett Herman Knutson was born February 13th, 1935 in Wakonda, South Dakota to James Herman and Eva (Jensen) Knutson. He died December 27th, 2022 in Sioux Falls, S.D. at the age of 86 years, 10 months and 14 days.

Baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Faith, Everett was a lifelong member of Scandia Lutheran Church. He was raised on the family farm near Centerville and attended Midway Country School and graduated from Centerville High School in 1954. He attended Augustana College in Sioux Falls and was a member of the South Dakota Air Guard. Everett married Joan Marie Hansen on June 14, 1964. Together they raised four children on the same farm where Everett grew up. Other than his family, one of Everett's primary interests was barbershop singing, and he was a proud member of the Tri-Valley Barbershop Chorus for over 50 years! He instilled his love of music in his children, along with a strong work ethic and a rare, quiet humility that was admired and respected by all whom he met.

Everett loved his life on the farm. The quintessential "Gentleman Farmer" Everett raised livestock and crops with his brother



Darrell and his legacy for "doing things right" lives on through his sons. When he wasn't in the field he liked to garden, his favorite being potatoes and popcorn; harvesting from his apple and pear trees and wood-working. In his later years, his greatest delight was watching his grandchildren perform in their music and sporting events.

Everett was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Bonnie Mae Knutson, brother Darrell Knutson, and his sister Beverly Knutson.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife of 58 years Joan; daughter Susan (Tim) Bjordal of Sioux Falls, S.D.; son Steven (Vonni) Knutson of Centerville; son Daniel (Kyla) of Centerville, and daughter Linda (Bill) Strough of Las Vegas, Nevada; four grandchildren, Seth Bjordal and his fiancé Madison of Sioux Falls, Aubrey Bjordal and special friend Tanner of Dickinson, N.D., Josiah and Bethany Knutson of Centerville, sister-in-law Ruby Knutson of Centerville, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, December 31, 2022 at Scandia Lutheran Church in Centerville. Burial followed at Holland Cemetery. Visitation was Friday, December 30th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Scandia Church, followed by a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

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