



Elmer F. Bluml

April 21, 1927 - September 4, 2013

Elmer Bluml, 86 of Carroll, died Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at the Carroll Health Center Nursing Home in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 7, 2013 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Lawrence McCarty. Music will be by Marcy Anderson and the St. Lawrence Choir with Shari Schulte and Cyndi Loneman as song leaders. Lector for the funeral mass will be Michael Henkenius. Gift Bearers will be Elmer's grandchildren: Hailey, Jack, and Emma Bluml. Eucharistic Ministers will be: Ann Christiansen, Jean Knobbe, and Lynette Lehrter. Casket Bearers will be Elmer's sons: Mark Bluml, Jeff Bluml, Joel Bluml; and Elmer's grandsons: Andrew Bluml, Eric Lampe, and Jack Bluml. Burial will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll with military honors conducted by the Carroll American Legion.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 3:30 p.m. on Friday where there will be a rosary at 4 p.m. and a Christian Wake Service at 7 p.m. by St. Lawrence Parish. The casket will be moved to St. Lawrence Church at 9 a.m. on Saturday where visitation will resume until time of the funeral mass.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in

Carroll and online condolences may be left for Elmer's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Born on April 21, 1927 at Halbur, Iowa, Elmer Frank Bluml was the son of Joseph and Frances (Wittrock) Bluml. He attended St. Augustine School in Halbur and then enlisted in the United States Army, serving during the Korean War. On June 1, 1954 Elmer was married to Bernice Berger at Annunciation Church in Coon Rapids, Iowa. The couple made their home in Carroll and Elmer had a 42 year career with Chicago Northwestern Railroad in the Building and Bridge Department. He enjoyed gardening, "making the rounds", playing cards, watching the Cardinals, and tolerating the Cubs. His greatest joy was his family, especially his grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Elmer was a member of St. Lawrence Parish, and the Carroll American Legion, Maurice Dunn Post # 7.

Survivors include his wife Bernice of Carroll; his children: Mark Bluml and wife Lori of Carroll, Mary Lampe and husband Rick of Fair Grove, MO, Jeff Bluml of Fort Dodge, and Joel Bluml and wife Melissa of Topeka, KS; 10 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; his sisters: Ardella Irlbeck of Templeton, Ardith (Albert) Sturm of Manning, Charlene Stork of Glidden, and Margaret Hinnners of Manning; his brothers: Glen (Sharon) Bluml of Hawarden, and Don (Carol) Bluml of Dubuque; his sisters-in-law: Faye Bluml of Carroll, Leona Seidl of Coon Rapids, Frances (Albert) Meiners of Coon Rapids, Virginia Berger of Carroll, and Dorothy Berger of Lohrville; and brothers-in-law, Louis Odendahl of Mannng and Edmond "Butch" (LaVonne) Berger of Lidderdale; as well as many nieces, nephews, and other extended relatives.

Elmer was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters: Delores Odendahl and Estherlyn Rohe; and his brothers: Jerry Bluml, Larry Bluml, and James Bluml.

Tribute Wall

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“ A very few of us will remember that evening, very long ago, when Elmer gathered Mark to fix a derailment. We watched him come all the way down the street, up the hill, relentlessly. It was no fun then. I think of it now, when needing to make my boys do things that need to be done. (And how did he know where we were?) So thanks!

Dick Donovan

Dick Donovan - September 07, 2013 at 09:04 AM

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“ Scott Alongi and family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Elmer F. Bluml.



Scott Alongi and family - September 07, 2013 at 08:13 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elmer F. Bluml.



September 06, 2013 at 11:07 AM

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“ Robert Klaus and Michael Klaus purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Elmer F. Bluml.



Robert Klaus and Michael Klaus - September 06, 2013 at 09:44 AM

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“ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.
- John 6:39-40

I am truly sorry for your loss, but remember: Death is but a pause after the dash.

- Mike Shoopman

Mike Shoopman - September 05, 2013 at 01:59 PM



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September 05, 2013 at 10:38 AM