



## Aldean "Al" Klein

July 19, 1930 - August 4, 2012

Aldean Leo Klein was born on July 19, 1930 in Graceville, MN, the son of Martin and Mella (Bergstresser) Klein. He was raised near Hankinson, ND where he attended Greendale School through the 8th grade. In 1948, he graduated from Morris Ag School in Morris, MN. Following his graduation, Al worked in Minneapolis, MN. He was drafted into the US Army and served from 1951-1953, during the Korean Conflict. Upon his discharge, he returned to Minneapolis, where he worked in a machine shop.

On January 23, 1960, Al was united in marriage to Edith Langemo. They lived in Detroit, MI for a short time before moving to Los Angeles, CA. Al and Edie lived there for seven years, he worked as a machinist. In 1967, they moved to Fingal, ND and lived on Edie's family farm. They farmed together for many years, retiring in 2007.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Fingal and the Eagles Aerie 2192 in Valley City. Al served on the Norma Township board for many years. He never turned down the opportunity for a chance to visit and have a cup of coffee.

Al died at Mercy Hospital in Valley City, ND on August 4, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Edie; daughters, Josie (Richard) Gilbery, Moorhead, MN, Carrie (Rick) Rosenkilde, Bothell, WA, and Marie (Randy) Johnson, Bloomington, MN; grandchildren, David, Kathryn, and Anna Gilbery and Kurt and Alex Johnson; brother, Eugene Klein, Hankinson, ND; sister, LaVonne Klein, Sioux Falls, SD; and several nieces and nephews.

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

# Events

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**AUG** **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S., Valley City, ND, US

**AUG** **Service** 10:30AM

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Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
419 1st Ave., Fingal, ND, US

# Comments

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“ Dear Edie, family and friends.

I am sad to hear of Uncle Aldean's passing. I remember the last time I saw him, I got to hold his hand and look into his beautiful, twinkling eyes. I will miss him.

**Roxanne Ganskop** - August 12, 2012 at 03:23 PM

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“ Dear Edith and family,  
So very sorry to hear of your husband's passing. You are in my prayers. May you take comfort in His promise that we will all be reunited in heaven. It has brought much comfort to us since we lost our beloved daughter JoAnne over 19 years ago.

Your old country school friend,  
Dorothy(Nelson) Evers

**Dorothy (Nelson)Evers** - August 10, 2012 at 10:54 PM

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“ We're sorry to hear of Aldean's passing. He was always an interesting person to talk to and had a great sense of humor.

**Kyle and Pam Ganskop, Omaha NE** - August 07, 2012 at 05:12 PM

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“ We join your family with sorrow upon hearing of your loss of Al, who always used to tease me by calling me "Windows" because i wore thick glasses as a child. If anyone else besides Al would have said that to me, I would have been upset, but because Al said his words with such great love and attention, teasing to show how much he cared, I was pleased that he teased me and treated me like a fourth daughter. Thank you for making me a part of your family while Josie (my best friend) and I grew up together. I appreciate your love and miss you all. We are thinking of you and praying for all of you during this difficult time. So glad we had Christmas together,  
from"Windows" Lori

**Lori Kreidlkamp-Nelson and family (husband Dan, children Chris, Katherine, and Sarah Nelson)** - August 07, 2012 at 12:53 AM



“ Edith and girls, my heart broke to hear about Al! He was my "coffee buddy" at the cafe in Fingal. I cherish the stories he told me of you and your past together! Al was always so good about keeping me updated on the girls too!  
Our love and prayers,  
Lee, Karen (Schlagel) and Ashley Steid;

**KarenSteidl** - August 06, 2012 at 06:56 PM

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“ Edie and family,

We are so sorry to hear of the loss of Aldean. We always enjoyed seeing him and you if possible on our annual trips back to Braun's farm. He looked the most like Marcella and had a warm heart like hers. We will miss him.

Love,  
Lisa, Gary, Will and Danny (Roswell, Ga)

**Lisa and Gary Braun** - August 06, 2012 at 09:56 AM