



Kenneth Kohler, Sr.

April 30, 1928 - April 22, 2012

Kenneth Kohler, Sr., 83, Valley City, ND, died Sunday, April 22, 2012, at the Sheyenne Care Center, Valley City. Ken was born April 30, 1928, rural Oriska, ND, the son of Joseph and Mae (Schwehr) Kohler.

He attended country school in rural Cuba, ND and in 1936, moved with his family to Oriska. His family again moved to a farm-site in 1941, near Tower City, ND. Kenneth completed his education and helped on the family farm.

On November 21, 1949, he married Norma Jeanne Dunham in Oriska. They lived in the Tower City community from 1949-1966. Kenneth and Jeannie moved to the Fingal, ND area in 1966. Ken farmed with his four sons.

In 1982, they became residents of the city of Fingal, where he was a very active member in the community. He was mayor there for 12 years. Ken served on the Fingal School Board as well as the First National Bank of Hawley, MN and First National Bank of Valley City, ND. He was also a board member of the Open Door Center in Valley City for many years.

He was a member of St. Catherine's Catholic Church and the Eagles Club, both in Valley City.

Kenneth enjoyed being with his brothers and sisters, especially his wife, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Norma Jeanne of Valley City; daughter, Patricia (Monte) Johnson; sons, Kenneth (Susan) Kohler, John (Jennifer) Kohler, Michael (Debbie) Kohler, and Todd (Kristi) Kohler, all of Valley City; 13 grandchildren, Heather (Brent) Kukla, Joshua (Lissa) Johnson, Digger (Tennille) Johnson, Katie (Chris) Duffy, Tara

(Adam) Svenningsen, Brooke (Brian) Gubrud, Jon Lahr, Ashley Lahr, Jed (Katie) Kohler, Brittany Kohler, Derek Kohler, Karli Kohler, Kara Kohler; 11 great grandchildren, Max Kukla, Will Kukla, Jack Kukla, Bryce Johnson, Trevor Johnson, Kale Johnson, Bergan Johnson, Logan Duffy, Jack Duffy, Kyle Duffy, Lexi Svenningsen; 4 brothers, Lyle (Ione) Kohler of Winslow, AZ, Richard (Diane) Kohler of Valley City, Robert Kohler of Moorhead, MN, and Ronald (Linda) Kohler of Tower City; 3 sisters, Marlys (Norbert) Kosir of Fargo, ND, Betty (Rick) McClafin of Tower City, and Mary (Curt) Richman of Lake Park, MN; and a sister-in-law, Mary Pat Kohler of Bismarck, ND. He was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Cody Lahr; brothers, Harold Kohler and Lornie Kohler; and sisters, JoAnne Kohler and Eileen Kohler.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **26**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Catherine Catholic Church
540 3rd Ave. NE
Valley City, ND

Service

APR **27**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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540 3rd Ave. NE
Valley City, ND

Tribute Wall



“ Oliver - Nathan Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Kenneth Kohler, Sr.



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - April 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ What a wonderful site. I have just read thruogh all your poetry and watched the video. I am in tears, all of you should be very proud of yourselves. It's more people like you that will help victims. Thank you A survivor###imported-begin##Sabrina###imported-end##

July 27, 2012 at 01:46 AM



“ Hi!! was just surfen' arunod for some facts about dog dancing in Austria (where I live), when I finally saw your shows from the crufts on youtube.My first thought: Amazing!My second thought: How to teach a dog something like this! I have a pug, her name is Mia and she actually just does something like twist, jumping over my arms, legs, into my arms, stuff like that. I think that a pug may cannot do some of these special tricks I saw now, wich are easier vor bigger dogs.In just a few minutes watching the videos and reading this website I became a great fan of you two! I really enjoyed watching your performance!Best wishes PS: I hope my English was okay (;###imported-begin##Parisa###imported-end##

May 16, 2012 at 08:36 PM



“ To the Kohler family:

From Virginia we send our love and best wishes to the Kohler family. We will miss Ken and remember him fondly from our earlier years at White Earth Lake. All of our best wishes go to Jeannie and the family during a time of grief but also celebration for the life of a very good man and a life well-lived.

We are thinking of you today as you celebrate and remember.

Dempsey and Kathie Worner###imported-begin###wayne and kathie worner###imported-end###

April 27, 2012 at 10:53 AM



“ My heartfelt sympathy goes out to all of you, I know how hard it is to lose someone who has had such an impact on your lives and who you have loved so much. I'm sorry I can't be there, but I know in my heart that Dwight is there with Ken and they are busy farming, and looking in on us each day. There are never enough word, so just remember You are all in my thoughts and prayers. With loving memories, Sharon###imported-begin###Sharon Carpenter###imported-end###

April 26, 2012 at 03:24 PM



“ The Puntton Family and A.P. Equipment wishes their deepest condolences to the Kohler family.###imported-begin###A.P. Equipment###imported-end###

April 26, 2012 at 12:44 PM



“ *Norma Jean & Family*
My sympathy to you all in the death of Ken. He was a special person to so many and lived a good life.
Lucille Winkler##imported-begin##*Mrs. Fred (Lucille) Winkler*##imported-end##

April 26, 2012 at 12:06 PM



“ *Norma Jean and Family of Ken...*
You have our deepest Sympathy...
Diane Halverson let us know..Cherish your memories...He is in a better place..but still is hard and you are all in our thoughts and prayers..
Faye and Jim Jones.##imported-begin##*Faye Jones*##imported-end##

April 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jeanne, I know that Ken has been away from you and the family for several years, but now is away for an extended dtime. Like I have told my friends, "Dying is part of living; its the last part and it may be the best part" at least I am counting on that. Ken was a good friend even though I haven't seen much of him these past many years. May he rest in peace. Love to you and all. Al F Kosir*##imported-begin##*Albin (Al) F. Kosir*##imported-end##

April 25, 2012 at 05:37 PM



“ So sorry to hear about your father, I want you to know that we have you and your family in thought and prayer.
Love, Shannon##imported-begin##Shannon & John Spiekermeier##imported-end##

April 25, 2012 at 09:04 AM



“ I've known Ken and Jeanie for over 40 years. Besides being my brother-in-law, Ken was my partner at the First National Bank, Hawley, Mn. He was always there for me even when banking wasn't very much fun, especially the late 70's and early 80's. Mary and I know that he has gone to a better place, but we will miss his smile and that extra positive outlook on life that he always gave us.##imported-begin##Curt Richman##imported-end##

April 24, 2012 at 07:46 AM



“ Pat,
It is hard to lose a dad. I read about your dad's passing on the web site today. Blessings to you and the Kohler family. I send positive thoughts and silent prayers for Strength, Peace and Comfort.

Shelley Williamson
Atlanta, GA##imported-begin##Shelley (Hanson) Williamson##imported-end##

April 24, 2012 at 06:45 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you in the loss of Kenneth, he was such a special man and will be missed by all who knew him.*

Sandy##imported-begin##Sandy Kukla##imported-end##

April 23, 2012 at 12:47 PM