



## Ronald Carstens

December 14, 1938 - June 3, 2009

Henry, Nebraska.....Funeral services for RONALD J. CARSTENS 70, will be held at 2pm Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at Our Savior Lutheran Church with Reverend Marvin Temme officiating. Burial will follow in the Forest Lawn Cemetery in Morrill, Nebraska. Ron died June 3, 2009 at his home. In lieu of flowers memorials go to the church Sunday School, or the church Youth Group, or Camp Hope at Regional West Medical Center in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Visitation will be Monday from 3pm to 7pm at the Colyer Funeral Home and prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com). Ron was born December 14, 1938 in Meadow Grove, Nebraska the son of John and Nelda (Praeuner) Carstens. He grew up on the family farm and graduated from Battle Creek High School in 1956. After serving in the National Guard he returned to the family farm in Battle Creek He married Betty Ann Johnson on August 17, 1958 in Battle Creek. They moved to Gering, Nebraska where he worked as a rep for Winpower Generators. In 1973 they moved to Mitchell, Nebraska where he continued to work for Winpower. In 1983 he formed Wyoming Generator which he ran until his death. In 1985 they moved to Torrington, Wyoming where they lived until 1997 when they moved to Henry, Nebraska. Ron was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church where he was in the choir, taught Sunday School, conducted Sunday School openings, and served on various boards. His love was Sunday School and children. He liked to camp and

spend time with his grandkids. He was a Cornhusker fan and liked to work his hobby farm in Henry, Nebraska. Ron is survived by his wife Betty Ann of Henry, Nebraska; three daughters and their husbands, Ellen (John) Raymond of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, Gayle (Brad) Strauch of McFadden, Wyoming, and Laura (Daryl) Schlotthauer of Auburn, Washington; two sons and their wives, Michael (Rita) Carstens of Pensacola, Florida, and Stephen (Heather) Carstens of Bremerton, Washington; a brother and his wife, Gary (Mary) Carstens of Lincoln, Nebraska; ten grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Carl; and one sister, Mary Ann Ruegge.

# Tribute Wall

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“ To the Carstens family,

*Ron was a special guy. He was considerate and kind. I will remember a special Thanksgiving when Ron and Betty were visiting the Raymonds in Pennsylvania.*

*I also appreciate that Ron and Betty attended my dads (John Jenkins) funeral.*

*I remember the last two times I saw him and he made the hamburgers while we visited him at his house a couple summers ago, and then when he attended my Aunt Betty Kellys retirement party. I am glad he was there.*

*We know he has his place in heaven. He believed in our Lord, thankfully.*

*Our hearts go out to all of the Carstens family and Betty especially of all.*

*Sincerely,*

*Eric , Lita, and Nathan Ferguson*

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**Eric, Lita, and Nathan** - June 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. It's so hard to lose someone you love. Our prayers are with you.*

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**Gene Schlotthauer** - June 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Ron will missed very much. He would come down to the Scotts Little Store and give us a bad time. Story- I showed the calories of a little debbie cookie and he never touched one again. He replied is so many words no thank you. He was a very comical person.

*May God Bless you all. I will pray for you Betty and your family.*

*I know you heard this before, but please let me know if I can help in any way.*

*God Bless  
Nancy Hauswirth (Scott)*

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**Nancy (Scott) Hauswirth** - June 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mike, Rita and Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time and always. If there is anything I can do or anything you need, please let me know.*

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**Sheryl Spath** - June 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *Ron was such a giving person, to say the least. When Dan's mother, Pat, was in the nursing home, Ron & Betty came right over to help us clean up her home & making it safe. Most remembered when the Raymond & Carstens families got together, Ron always had us laughing and shared some of his insights on life. Dan is especially grateful when Ron would come over & read scripture to Dave (Dan & John's father) when he was terminally ill. Ron will truly be missed.*

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**Linda Raymond** - June 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our sympathy to you & your family. From Arlene Praeuner Werner. Ron's mother Nelda was my first cousin, I use to live at Battle Creek all my life. now I lie in Norfolk, Nebraska. Arlene Praeuner Werner and family.2

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**Arlene Praeuner Werner** - June 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM