



Linus Smith

December 11, 1933 - March 16, 2013

Linus Raymond Smith, age 79, of Algona, IA, former resident of Superior area, was born December 11, 1933, in Superior, Iowa, to Frank and Veronica Smith. Linus attended Superior Consolidated School graduating in 1952, served in the US Army, a veteran of the Korean War, farmed with his father a few years, worked for the Fort Dodge-Des Moines Railroad and a retiree of Hormel's of Ft. Dodge, IA, and Fremont NE. Other than his family, he enjoyed fishing, was an avid collector of watches and pocket watches, enjoyed reading, gardening and recently photography.

Linus was preceded in death by his first wife Norma; his parents, Frank and Veronica Smith; three brothers, Francis Smith, Edward Smith, and Fred Smith. Linus is survived by his wife, Bernice Gorham; two daughters, Susan and Mike Minikis and Joni and Patrick Harrison; two step-sons, Doug and Terri Gorham and Brad and Stephanie Gorham; his brother, Ronald and Elsie Smith; 10 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; along with many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be held at 10:30A.M. Saturday, March 23, 2013, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be at St. Margaret's Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

CR

“ Sue and family,my thoughts and prayers are with you. Seeing the picture of your dad brought back many memories growing up in Ft Dodge the overnights we had at your house. I'm working in Texas until the end of April so I won't be able to attend the funeral.Just know I'm thinking about you.

Cindy Shipman Roberts - March 19, 2013 at 05:18 PM

GL

“ I had coffee with Linus just about every day at Hy-Vee. What a remarkable,kind and caring man. I will miss my friend.

Gary Leigh - March 19, 2013 at 09:52 AM

DK

“ Uncle Linus was a great guy. In my memories of him he was always a smileing or laughing. He was there during some of my favorite times growing up; summer at East Lake Okoboji, staying in Fort Dodge, etc. I'm so glad he was part of our family.

Diane Koch - March 18, 2013 at 11:13 AM

AN

“ Linus and I went to school together. He was one of my very friends in Superior. I can remember Mr. Dick Pannel(teacher) when we had a test, and he asked if would help him on this test, sooo! I gave him my Paper and LOW AND BEHOLD HE COPIED MY NAME. Soo, we both got an "a a RED X! He was a great guy, and I am praying for you and your family. Love you All! School Mate Arlene Nourse.

arlene nourse - March 17, 2013 at 05:01 PM

NI

“ I am so sorry that I will be out of town this week but know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Uncle Linus was such a special person, so kind and loving. I can hear his laugh and see his smiling face.

I love you all, Nikki

Nikki - March 17, 2013 at 02:26 PM

DG

“ *Linus was my uncle and 2nd father. I will always have wonderful memories of fishing with him, playing cards and listening to his interesting life stories. When I was a kid, he took his daughter Susy and I to movies like Old Yeller. He was a kind and gentle man and he had a very loving spirit. He loved to read and he knew a great deal about history and mechanical things, especially clocks and watches. He was a humble person and I will greatly miss him,*

Doug Gorham - March 17, 2013 at 12:16 AM