

Falls City, NE

Victor Carl Karst, 85, of Falls City passed away on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 27, 2014. He was born January 31, 1929 at the family home near Barada, Nebraska to the late Henry F. Karst and Anna R. (Herbster) Karst.

While Victor was in grade school, his family moved to the farm they purchased southwest of Falls City. He attended Dist. #75 and graduated from FCHS with the Class of 1946. He attended UNL for two years. Victor was drafted into service with the U.S. Army from March 1951-1953. He was stationed at Ft. Bliss, Texas where he met Helen J. Bush of El Paso, TX. They were married Sept. 4, 1955 in Falls City at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20th & Towle St. To this union three children were born. They lived southwest of Falls City on the farm purchased from Adolph Fetzner. They were later divorced.

In 1982 Victor moved to his current residence; his childhood home southwest of Falls City. He married Joyce F. (Olberding) Stallbaumer of Seneca, KS on April 21, 1990. Victor entered the Falls City Healthcare Community at 28th & Towle St. on July 14th of this year due to declining health with Parkinson's disease.

Victor farmed all his life. During the severe drought of the mid-50, he worked a couple winters at Boeing in Wichita, KS. Later he operated Karst Antenna Service. He was involved in his church and the community. He participated in the NFO, served on the school board for Dist. #74, was a member of the Rural Volunteer Fire Department, serving as secretary/treasurer for 25 years. Victor was on the charter team for the establishment of the Rural Water District #2. He also served over 30 years on the election board for the Falls City precinct. Victor was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church most of his life; transferring to the Christ Lutheran Church, his current membership. He served on the council for both churches.

Victor is survived by his wife, Joyce; son Wes V. Karst (Jame') of Valley Center, KS; daughters Judy A. Baker and Joyce M. Jones (Tom) of Falls City; stepsons Allen (Rhonda) of Kingsville, TX; Edwin (Michelle) of Turpin, OK; and David Stallbaumer of Amarillo, TX. Grandchildren: Eli, Jake, Gabe and Laura Karst of Valley Center; Michelle Thompson of Manhattan, KS; Abbie (Joe) O'dell of Bedford, IA; Sarah (Jeff) Meese of Lincoln, NE; Roberta (Kyle) Geiger of Liberty, MO and Rachel (Joe) Jackson of Falls City. Six step-grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Victor was preceded in death by his parents and a brother Milton Karst on February 26, 2012.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 30, 2014 at 10:30 AM at Christ Lutheran Church with Reverend Daniel Gifford officiating. Interment will be in Steele Cemetery. Military graveside honors by Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 7-8:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home.