

Dennis H. Olson, age 79, of Albert City, Iowa died on Thursday, January 30, 2020 at his home in rural Albert City, Iowa.

Dennis Henning Olson, the son of Oscar and Phoebe (Carlson) Olson, was born on March 31, 1940 in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Growing up, Dennis attended grade school and high school. He was a graduate of Albert City High School in 1958.

In 1961, Dennis enlisted in the Iowa National Guard. He served his state and country until 1969.

On May 5, 1962, Dennis was united in marriage to Phyllis Fees in Polk City, Iowa. The couple was blessed with five children: Denise, Scott, Brian, Kevin, and Leann.

Dennis was an active member of the American Legion Post 299 and the Evangelical Free Church in Albert City.

While Dennis had a love for football, having played varsity three years in high school and served as captain for two years, he chose to forgo a full scholarship to Wartburg College. He instead chose to move to the family farm, where he would live the rest of his life and pursue his love of farming. After many years of Farming, he sold his herd of dairy cattle in 1985 and transitioned to professional truck driving which he would continue until he retired in 2015. During the last 20 years of that time he worked as an owner operator leasing on to Olson Express which was owned and operated by his son Scott Olson.

Dennis loved his community and supported it with every opportunity he could. Dennis took great pride in his heritage, as both a Swede and an American. Every year he anxiously awaited the Albert City Threshermen and Collectors Show and never missed a show. Even in his retirement, not only did he attend and display at the show, but he maintained the grounds as a part-time job.

The only thing more important to Dennis, than his heritage was his family, which was evident to anyone who knew Dennis. These two things, heritage and family, found their culmination in his faith. Dennis knew Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior, and made sure that his children had the opportunity to know Him as well. While a man of few words, Dennis lived his life according to Matthew 5:16, "let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven."

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Phyllis Olson of Albert City; his children: Denise (Steve) Past of Cary, Illinois; Scott (Julie) Olson of Albert City, Iowa; Brian (Kay) Olson of Vernon Hills, Illinois; Kevin (Morgan) Olson of Albert City, Iowa; Leann Olson of Albert City, Iowa; brother, Gaylen (Darlene) Olson of Appleton, Wisconsin; sisters, Twila (Jerry) Oakvik of Anoka, Minnesota and Becky (Tom) Plocker of Blue Earth, Minnesota; grandchildren: Micah Olson of Vernon Hills, Illinois; Corren Olson of Eden Prairie, Minnesota; Marvail Olson of Albert City, Iowa; Aaron Olson, of Vernon Hills, Illinois; Esther Olson of Vernon Hills, Illinois; Mikala Huegerich of Fonda, Iowa; Lain Olson of Albert City, Iowa; sisters-in-law, Barb (Dave) Lilland of Nevada, Iowa and Donna Fees of Appleton, Wisconsin; extended family and friends.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Phoebe Olson; step-mother, Ruth Fredrickson; aunt, Esther Olson; parents-in-law, Lloyd and Helen Fees; brother-in-law, Gene Wall; and sister-in-law, Lois Fees.

In Loving Memory



Dennis H. Olson

1940 — 2020

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers,
about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as

others do who have no hope.

1 Thessalonians 4:13



We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited to join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church immediately following the burial.

— The Family of Dennis H. Olson

IN MEMORY OF

Dennis H. Olson

March 31, 1940 — January 30, 2020

FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 — 11:00 a.m.

Evangelical Free Church
Albert City, Iowa

CLERGY

Pastor Jesse Evans

ORGANIST

Rhonda Richter

PIANIST

Joanie Anderson

SOLOIST

Brian Olson

“Children Of The Heavenly Father”

RECORDED SELECTION

“Thank You For Being My Dad” — Jon Barker

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“Sweet Bye & Bye”

“I’ll Fly Away”

“It Is Well”

CASKET BEARERS

Scott Olson, Brian Olson, Kevin Olson, Micah Olson
Corren Olson, Aaron Olson, Lain Olson

INTERMENT

Full Military Rites by American Legion Post 299
Fairfield Township Cemetery
Albert City, Iowa

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