

Robert L. Rozendaal ^{GH-R} 10-2-2017

Robert Lee Rozendaal was born June 2, 1933, to John and Jerena (Willemssen) Rozendaal in Jasper County, Iowa. He passed away September 30, 2017.

Bob attended grade school at Richland #6 in Jasper County and was a 1951 graduate of Sully High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 10, 1954, and was in the 5th RCN Co. 5th Infantry, Tank Commander. He received a National Defense Service Medal and a Good Conduct Medal and was honorably discharged on February 8, 1956.

Bob met Helen Rankin on a blind date and they were married on March 28, 1957, in Pella. To this union they were blessed with five children: Dale, Marla, Dennis, Rodney and Ross. After Helen passed away, Robert married Marilyn Keenen on March 15, 2008.

Throughout Bob's life he was a dairy farmer, and worked for Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance, Sully Christian Grade, and Sully First Reformed Church. Bob was a deacon and elder at the First Reformed Church in Sully.

If you looked in the dictionary for the definition of "neighbor" it would say Bob Rozendaal. Bob was known as the guy you could call when you needed help. He was always willing to lend a hand.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife Marilyn; children: Dale and Jana Rozendaal of Lynnville, Marla and Eugene Sjaardema of Reasnor, Dennis and Crissie Rozendaal of Cedar Rapids, Rodney and Dana Rozendaal of Sully, and Ross and Kara Rozendaal of Prescott Valley, Arizona; ten grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. Bob is also survived by his stepchildren: Pam and Dennis Vogel of Des Moines, Shirley Keenan of West Des Moines, Gary Keenan of Des Moines, Marcia McKelvey of Decorah and Glen and Missy Keenan of Des Moines; many step grandchildren; and his sisters Joan Rozendaal and Shirley Schippers.

Bob was preceded in death by his wife Helen, his parents, his brother James Rozendaal, and his step-daughter Janet Lynn Keenan.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at the First Reformed Church in Sully. Memorial donations may be given in his memory to: Gideons International, Bible League International or Sully First Reformed Church. Garden Chapel Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

