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10-8-2018 Clarence 'Joe' George Klodt



Clarence "Joe" George Klodt, 93, of rural Milton, Iowa, passed away on October 3, 2018, at 6:32 p.m. under hospice care at the Van Buren County Hospital in Keosauqua, Iowa. He was born October 28, 1924, at home on the family farm south of Troy, Iowa, to George A. and Emma R. Birchmier Klodt. He married Donna A. Summers on February 2, 1953, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Ottumwa, Iowa.

Clarence grew up on the family farm where he was born. He attended Troy Consolidated School and gradu-

ated in 1942. He drove a school bus for eight years, starting at age 16. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Clarence and Donna lived on their farm north of Milton where they farmed and raised livestock. He became involved in restoring Mustang cars, pedal cars, pedal tractors, and old John Deere tractors. He was a charter member of Collector Cars Unlimited of Fairfield, Iowa, and Iowa-Missouri Ford Club, and an honorary member of South Iowa Mustang Club of Pella, Iowa.

Clarence was a charter member of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Bloomfield.

Surviving are his wife, Donna; two daughters, Debbie Klodt of Des Moines and Ginger (Larry) Austin of Grinnell, Iowa; son, Brad Klodt of Milton; grandson, Corey (Heather) Austin of Farmington, Iowa; granddaughter, Erin Austin of Grinnell; and three great-granddaughters, Kaylei Moore and Kloeie Austin, both of Owensboro, Kentucky, and Charli Reid of Ottumwa.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Laurence Klodt.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, at the Wagler Funeral Home in Bloomfield with Father Patrick Hilgendorf officiating. Burial will be at the Troy Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday with the family present to greet friends from 5-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. A memorial has been established to the Van Buren County Hospital. Online condolences may be directed to www.waglerfuneralhome.com.