
Paul Origer

Paul Origer, 59, of Fairmont, Minn., formerly of Grinnell and Estherville, died Saturday, July 1, at Fairmont Community Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at St. John Bianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial, with military honors, was at Calvary Cemetery in Fairmont, with the Olson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

He was born Feb. 14, 1930, in Estherville and grew up on the family farm. He attended school in Gruver, Iowa, graduating from Gruver High School.

He joined the U.S. Navy in 1950 and, following his discharge in 1954, returned to Estherville. He was married to Jean Thompson Aug. 25, 1956, at Graeffinger. The couple lived in Estherville where he continued to farm.

In June 1968 he began working for Golden Sun Feeds in Estherville. In 1977, the family moved to Fairmont where he worked as manager of Golden Sun Farm Service.

Mr. Origer was a member of St. John Bianney Catholic Church, the VFW, and the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce. He was active in many church and civic organizations.

Surviving are his wife; his sons, Michael of Des Moines, Tony of Fairmont and Doug of Grand Forks, N.D.; a daughter, Kelly of Lakeville, Minn.; six grandchildren; his brothers, Leo of Shalimar, Fla., Mark of Denver, Colo., David of Faribolt, Minn., and Gerald of Houston, Texas; and three sisters, Louise Broadie of Spirit Lake and Natalie Thompson and Rosalie Adams, both of Harlingen, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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