



## Leonard Paul Pickhinke

June 29, 1929 - June 22, 2018

Leonard Pickhinke, age 88, of Nemaha, Iowa died on Friday, June 22, 2018 at his home surrounded by his family.

Funeral mass will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Early. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Early. Visitation will take place on Monday, June 25, 2018 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. with a vigil service at 8:00 p.m. all at the church. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Leonard Paul Pickhinke, the son of Frank and Otilda (Dostal) Pickhinke, was born at Howells, Nebraska on June 29, 1929. He was baptized and celebrated the Sacrament of First Communion at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Howells. In January of 1940, he moved with his family to their farm west of Early. He received his education and was a graduate of the Sacred Heart Catholic School.

On June 5, 1956, Leonard was united in marriage to Bernadine Bruch at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church at Mt. Carmel. This couple was blessed with seven children: Gary, Ronald, Ann, Lynn, Daniel, Kevin, and Neil. Following their marriage, Leonard and Bernadine farmed north of Early, moving to their current farm in 1970. Leonard's entire lifetime was devoted to

his farming vocation where he also raised cattle in addition to his crops. Leonard passed along his love of farming to his sons and was privileged to help each of them get started in their farming operations. Leonard retired in 2008. He enjoyed fishing, giving rides to his grandchildren on the “gator”, and dancing to polka music. He will be remembered as a man who was always ready to help in a time of need.

Leonard was a faithful member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Early, where he had served as a Eucharistic minister, an usher, and was on the school board. Leonard’s family held a very special place in his heart and he cherished the time he could spend with his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He passed his love of the Rosary onto them.

Leonard’s life will always be honored and celebrated by his family which include his wife: Bernadine of Nemaha; his children: Gary (Karla) Pickhinke of Storm Lake; Ronald (Bonnie) Pickhinke of Sac City; Ann (Tim) Mohr of Early; Lynn (Denise) Pickhinke of Nemaha; Daniel Pickhinke of Fonda; Kevin Pickhinke (special friend, Marci Lago) of Storm Lake; and Neil (Kay) Pickhinke of Early; his grandchildren: Andrew (Paige) Pickhinke, Kelsey Pickhinke; Jessica (Jeff) Rensch, Kayla (Andy) Pudenz, Jason and Kristin Pickhinke; Abigail, Michael, and Emily Mohr; Jon, Beth and Katie Pickhinke; Brady and Kendra Pickhinke; step-grandchildren: Michelle (Shane) Schreck and Michael McKenna; great-grandchildren: Easton Rensch and Addison Pudenz; step-great-grandchildren: Kylee and Melodee Rensch and Brayden, Bella, and Lincoln Schreck; his brothers: David Pickhinke of Storm Lake; Don (Marilyn) Pickhinke of Schaller; Ervin (Shirley) Pickhinke of Sioux City; and Eugene (Eileen) Pickhinke of Early; his sister: Alice Pudenz of Odebolt; brothers-in-law: Rev. James Bruch of Madrid, and Don (Jane) Bruch of Emmetsburg; sister-in-law: Marilyn Snyder of Storm Lake; nieces, nephews, other extended family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant stillborn son (Joseph); parents-in-law: Julian and Cecilia (Grossman) Bruch; brother: Edward (Vivalee) Pickhinke; brothers-in-law: Donald Pudenz and Richard Snyder; and sisters-in-law: Jean Pickhinke and Sr. Phyllis Bruch.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church --Early, Iowa  
501 Church Street  
Early, IA 50535  
<http://www.nemahaweb.com/sacredheart/>

## Vigil Service

JUN **25**. 8:00 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church --Early, Iowa  
501 Church Street  
Early, IA 50535  
<http://www.nemahaweb.com/sacredheart/>

## Funeral Mass

JUN **26**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church --Early, Iowa  
501 Church Street  
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## Interment

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JUN **26**. 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke*



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**Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home** - June 25, 2018 at 11:52 AM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Leonard Paul Pickhinke.*



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June 25, 2018 at 05:17 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, we extend our sympathy to Bernadine and to all the family. May your wonderful family memories help you through this time of loss and adjustment. God bless you all. Butch and Betty Schmidt*

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**Betty Schmidt** - June 25, 2018 at 12:27 PM



*Extending deepest sympathy for your loss. And hoping, too, that comfort and peace may come to all. Hugs  
Yvonne (Dahm) Lazure*

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**Yvonne** - June 25, 2018 at 05:01 PM

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“ Gods BLESSING to his Family was a wonderful helpful neighbor he will be missed!  
God Bless Betty Dahm and Family

Betty Dahm - June 25, 2018 at 12:08 PM



“ 109 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - June 25, 2018 at 10:47 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - June 25, 2018 at 10:22 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Leonard Paul Pickhinke.*



June 25, 2018 at 09:11 AM



“ *Dave Merten lit a candle in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke*



**Dave Merten** - June 25, 2018 at 07:05 AM



“ *Pegi Cavanaugh lit a candle in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke*



**Pegi Cavanaugh** - June 25, 2018 at 06:43 AM



“ *Michael, Catherine and Jacob Snyder purchased the Simply Lily for the family of Leonard Paul Pickhinke.*



**Michael, Catherine and Jacob Snyder** - June 24, 2018 at 10:37 PM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Leonard Paul Pickhinke.*



June 24, 2018 at 09:47 AM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Leonard Paul Pickhinke.*



June 23, 2018 at 08:41 PM



“ *Pat Barnett lit a candle in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke*



**Pat Barnett** - June 23, 2018 at 07:22 AM



“ *Dave And Joyce Rydstrom lit a candle in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke*



**Dave and Joyce Rydstrom** - June 22, 2018 at 11:07 PM

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“ Pat And Kim O’Leary lit a candle in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke



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Pat and Kim O’Leary - June 22, 2018 at 10:03 PM

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“ JASON SMITH lit a candle in memory of Leonard Paul Pickhinke



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JASON SMITH - June 22, 2018 at 09:36 PM