



Robert "Bob" Demers

May 20, 1929 - October 27, 2011

Robert "Bob" Demers, age 82, of Storm Lake, Iowa died October 27, 2011 at the Methodist Manor Retirement Community in Storm Lake. Robert Francis Demers was born May 20, 1929 in Storm Lake, the son of Henry and Winifred (Mernin) Demers. Robert attended St. Mary's Catholic school in Storm Lake where he graduated in 1947. Following high school graduation, Bob attended Buena Vista College. On November 6, 1951, Bob served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict where he earned the rank of Corporal. He was honorably discharged on November 1, 1953. On August 26, 1952, Bob was united in marriage to Marilyn Berry at Immaculate Conception in Cherokee, Iowa. Together they were blessed with seven children: Mary, Dianne, Sue, Carol, Steven, Joanne, and Ron. Bob was a lifelong member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake where he was a member of the Knights of Columbus. He worked for Owen, Elk and Holmes Insurance Agency where he was a Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Agent. In his spare time, Bob enjoyed playing card games, horseshoes, tennis, golf, and the dog races. Bob treasured being able to travel and enjoyed his collections. He took great pride in attending his grandchildren's sporting events and was an avid Hawkeye fan. Bob loved spending time with his family and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Marilyn Demers of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Mary (Lenard) Schmitt of Early, Iowa; Dianne (David "Whitey") Leonard of Storm Lake, Iowa; Sue (Marion) Gibbins of

Storm Lake, Iowa; Carol Demers of Storm Lake, Iowa; Steven Demers of Lincoln, Nebraska; Joanne (Robert) Sippel of Lombard, Illinois; Ron (Katie) Demers of Sioux City, Iowa; grandchildren: Lori (Jason) Donelson; Stacey (Michael) DeBoer; Renae (Barry) Binder; Shawn Schmitt; Jennifer Hyson; Stephanie Leonard; Brad (Jorja) Gibbins; Scott, Adam, and Tyler Gibbins; Josh Demers; Justin (Dani) Demers; Jaycob Demers; Aaron (Kathleen) Sippel; Jessica (Juan) Rodriguez; Jason Sippel; Danny Sippel; Patrick, Ella, Abby, and Elizabeth Demers; great grandchildren: Tonia Anway; Caleb Anway; Seth Donelson; Ethan, Levi, Chase, Kolton, and Joslyn DeBoer; Olivia Binder; Dominick Hyson; Brandon Leonard; Jordan Orduno; Logan and Kyra Gibbins; Chelsey Gibbins; Ashton Demers; Danny Demers; and Natalie Sippel; extended family and friends. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Winifred Demers; brother, Joe Demers; and grandson, Alex William Gibbins.