



Hillis Raymond "Hilly" Krokstrom

March 1, 1933 - February 5, 2018

Hillis Raymond "Hilly" Krokstrom, Jr., age 84, of Chanute, Kansas, passed away Monday, February 5, 2018 at Diversicare in Chanute. Hilly was born on March 1, 1933 in Elsmore, KS the son of Hillis Raymond Sr. and Dorothy Fern (Price) Krokstrom.

Hilly graduated from Elsmore High School in Elsmore, KS in 1951. After high school, he attended Chanute Junior College, where he played basketball and then went on to serve in the Army from 1953 – 1955 as Military Policeman in Japan. After the military he went to Pittsburg State University and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1958. Hilly married Patsy Northway Nelson on June 10, 1972 in Iola, KS. He worked at the Iola Dress Factory before moving to Chanute. Hilly was a co-owner with his dad of the Chanute Livestock Auction before going to work for the USD 413. He enjoyed watching sports, history and exercising. In 2014, Hilly was proud to be able to experience the Honor Flight. Hilly was a member of the American Legion, CARSP and a past member of the Elks.

Hilly loved his grandchildren, especially his little great granddaughter. He will be greatly missed.

Hilly is survived by:

Wife:

Patsy Krokstrom of the home

Children:

Monty Nelson and wife Becky of Chanute

Mark Nelson of Wichita, KS

Thom Krokstrom of Peoria, IL

Mike Nelson and wife Lisa of Bentonville, AR

Jackie Robbins of Shirley, IL

Grandchildren:

Zach Nelson and wife Brittany

Kyler Nelson, Jessica Robbins, Sam Nelson

Great Granddaughter:

Jaylynn Nelson

Sister-in-Law:

Sue Krokstrom

Uncle and Aunt:

Dewayne and Eileen Krokstrom

Numerous Nieces and Nephews

Hilly was preceded in death by his parents and a brother Tom Krokstrom.

Cremation has been requested. A memorial service will be on Friday,

February 9, 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church in Chanute.

Inurnment will take place at a later date. The Chanute Honor Guard will be in charge of military honors. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. Memorials have been suggested to the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital or Harry Hynes Hospice and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home, 101 N Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
1202 W. Main
Chanute, KS 66720

Tribute Wall



“ Hello my name Jerry R Linquist and happen to notice Hillis passing. My mother and father we're friends of his parents and I remember staying at there house in Chanute. Also when we would come to visit from Kansas City I would sometimes get to go to the sale barn on Saturday and help and as a kid from the city that was a big thing for me. I also remember Tom. My parents were Chester & Lois Linquist that we're for Elsmore. I sorry for your lost.
J R Linquist

Jerry Linquist - February 26, 2018 at 04:34 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Hillis Raymond "Hilly" Krokstrom.



February 08, 2018 at 01:57 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hillis Raymond "Hilly" Krokstrom.



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“ Sorry for your loss, Patsy!! God bless you & know your angel will be watching over you daily! Thoughts & prayers to you.,
Sue Scantlin

Sue - February 07, 2018 at 04:06 PM



“ Having the benefit of growing up in Chanute, Hillie was one of very, very few of Dad's cousins that I actually knew. I was saddened to hear of his passing.

Karl Krokstrom - February 07, 2018 at 03:27 PM

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“ Aunt Patsy and family,
I have fond memories of you and Hilly being part of family dinners at the Lings and joining our family at a wedding or two. Just this morning I was reminiscing about how much joy you shared with Retabess and Kenneth near the ocean in Rockport, TX. So glad you both were there to keep each other company. I'm sure Hilly listened to many fish stories from Grandpa. May Hilly's soul rest in the peace of Christ's reward.

Dorothy Arlene Ling - February 07, 2018 at 10:03 AM