

## Ronald Krohn, 81

Nov. 18, 1931 - May 29, 2013

**AVOCA** — Ronald Eugene Krohn was born on November 18, 1931 to Emil and Vera (Cunningham) Krohn in Avoca. He was baptized at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church and attended country school at Fairview Township No. 5. He graduated from Harlan High School with the Class of 1949 and began his farming career. He enlisted in the United States Army on November 13, 1952 and served as an instructor in Fort Riley, KS until his honorable discharge on November 12, 1954. He transferred to the Army Reserves and completed eight years in the military.



February 18, 1955, Ronald was united in marriage to Normalee Bartholomew at the First Lutheran Church in Avoca. They became parents to three children; Caleen, Cathy, and Kevin. He continued to farm in the Avoca area until his retirement in 1995. He remained living on the farm until his recent hospitalization. He died on May 29, 2013 at Myrtue Medical Center in Harlan having attained the age of eighty-one years, six months, and eleven days.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Darrell. He is survived by his wife of fifty-eight years Normalee Krohn of Avoca; daughters Caleen and her husband Patrick Pagel of Muscatine and Cathy and her husband Tim VanDenBerg of Waterloo; son Kevin Krohn and his wife Vicki of Harlan; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Marilyn Krohn of Marne; other family members and many friends.

Funeral services were officiated by Pastor Eric Meissner at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, 2013, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Avoca. Serving as honorary casket bearers were Marty and JoAnn Schuemann, Wayne and Phyllis Krohn, Louis and Lois Troll, Marilyn Krohn, Bob and Barb Brown, Marge Barton, Max Klindt and Don Nielsen. Serving as casket bearers were Pat Pagel, Tim VanDenBerg, Dale Krohn, Dean Krohn, Wayne Petersen, Greg Ponsar, Eric Pagel, Nate Pagel, Mackenzie VanDenBerg, Tim Bartholomew, Chris Pagel, Emmy Fulks and Melody Colvin. Military Rites were conducted at the church by members of the Avoca American Legion - Fred Funston Post No. 227.

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