

**Eiwind "Ike"
Johannes Steen
Madsen, 92**

Feb. 10, 1926 - June 25, 2018

ELK HORN – Eiwind "Ike" Johannes Steen Madsen, son of Mads and Margrete (Steen) Madsen, was born February 10, 1926, in Audubon County. He attended school in North Dakota through the eighth grade. Ike served in the United States Army during World War II from 1944 to 1946 when he was honorably discharged. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge during his tour of duty.



Ike was united in marriage with Leta Johansen on November 17, 1947 at Hiawatha, KS. The couple made their home in Kimballton. Ike worked as a truck driver and started his own business, Madsen Trucking, in the early 1950's. The family moved to an acreage outside of Elk Horn in 1964. Ike retired from trucking in April of 1989 and worked several part-time jobs after that time. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton, the AmVets, and the Elk Horn American Legion. Ike enjoyed playing cards and having coffee with his friends, and he could always be found puttering around the acreage. He valued his family above all else.

Due to deteriorating health, Ike moved to the Salem Lutheran Nursing Home in Elk Horn in April of 2017. He died there on Monday morning, June 25, 2018, at the age of 92 years, four months and 15 days.

Ike is preceded in death by his parents; daughter Carol Christensen; brothers Russell, Robert and Fred Madsen (Fran); sisters-in-law Loretta Madsen and Annabelle Madsen; and son-in-law Mike Laird.

Ike is survived by his wife of 70 years, Leta Madsen of Elk Horn; four children: Wayne Madsen (Vivian) of Elk Horn; Linda Laird of Omaha, NE; Brent Madsen (Jill) of Elk Horn; Randal Madsen (Annette) of Kimballton; 10 grandchildren: Brad Madsen (Jenny); Adam Andersen (Devon); Mindy Zahner (Pat); Patrick Laird (fiancé Michaela Gray); Mathew Christensen (Kristi); Lisa Chance (Greg); Colby Madsen; Kelsi Madsen; Jamie Madsen; Shaina Madsen; 12 great grandchildren; brothers: Earl Madsen of Atlantic and Don Madsen of Torrance, CA; sisters-in-law Dolores Harder (Clarence) of Avoca; Ardyce Falcone (Mike) of Downers Grove, IL; and Mabel Madsen of Elk Horn; son-in-law Steve Christensen (Joni) of Elk Horn; other relatives and friends.

A funeral service was held June 28 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton with Rev. Sam Jacobs, officiating. Casket bearers were Ike's grandchildren. Interment was in Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery with military honors being held by AmVets Post 51, American Legion Post 322, Kimballton.

Ohde Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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