



Burl Klinger

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Burl Klinger, 92, of Corydon passed away Saturday, September 9, 2017 at Wayne County Hospital. Burl was born to John & Nina (Palmer) Klinger in Harvard, Iowa on August 16, 1925. He received his education from a country school in Jackson Township and graduated in Allerton in 1943. At age 19 (1944), Burl was drafted into the Army during World War II where he served as a lineman installing telephone poles in the Philippine jungles for two and a half years. On July 20, 1947, Burl was united in marriage to Lorine Holmes. In this union came three children: Joan, Jean and Lori. Burl and Lorine lived and farmed south of Corydon in Jackson Township. In 1978, the two purchased the East Side Grocery Store in Corydon while still farming. After retirement, Burl and Lorine started the Klinger Saw Horse, while also trimming out 199 homes for Iowa Manufactured Homes. His last place of employment was Wal-Mart in Centerville where he worked for over 15 years. Burl enjoyed woodworking and making items for his grandchildren. In Burl's later years he got a kick out of his monthly jam sessions with his close companion Lucile Buoy. Burl also loved the holidays and events when friends and family surrounded him. He loved bringing a smile to a child's face, especially when dressing up as Santa. Survivors include his daughters: Joan Klinger, Jean Guikema (Bob), Lori Armstrong (Steve), grandchildren: Jennifer (Paul), Ryan (Jenny), Jessica (Tory), Rena (Jimmy), Terri (Kasey) Heather (Mike), great grandchildren: Cale, Marissa, Logan, Heath, Oliver, Amelia, Karley, Kedrick, Zander, Safara and Khaleesi. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Lorine. Funeral service will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, September 14, 2017 at Thomas Funeral Home in Corydon. Interment with military rites will take place at Shriver Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at the funeral home. Condolences may be shared at www.thomasfh.com. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Burl Klinger please visit our Sympathy Store. Cemetery Details Shriver Cemetery Hwy J46 & Hwy



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Corydon, IA 50060 Visitation SEP 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CDT) Thomas Funeral HomeCorydon 303 E. JeffersonCorydon, IA 50060[(#)] Funeral Service SEP 14. 10:30 AM (CDT) Thomas Funeral HomeCorydon 303 E. JeffersonCorydon, IA 50060[(#)]



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Thomas Funeral Home posted:

October 21 at 12:28 PM



Thomas Funeral Home shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



October 13 at 12:39 PM



RP

Rita Sayers Parrish posted:

I will always remember the way Burl made us smile and laugh at the slumber parties and other get togethers we had as youth and teens! It was always a fun time when he and Lorine were around. My thoughts and prayers are with you girls now. I hope you have great memories to sustain you.

September 15 at 7:00 PM



MH

Marla Huebner posted:

Praying for comfort for all of the family! Hugs!

September 11 at 7:00 PM



MH

Marla Huebner posted:

Marla Huebner lit a candle in memory of Burl Klinger

September 11 at 7:00 PM



SS

Sharon Sager posted:

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September 11 at 7:00 PM



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JH

John Holmes posted:

Joan, Jean & Lori, My deepest sympathy to all of you and your families, during this difficult time. I rest in wonderful, kind, and happy memories of Uncle Burl. Jack Holmes

September 11 at 7:00 PM

TH

Tami Hersom posted:

Tami Hersom lit a candle in memory of Burl Klinger

September 11 at 7:00 PM

RJ

Rhonda Jellison posted:

Thoughts and prayers to the family! Burl was such a nice man.

September 10 at 7:00 PM

AS

Aj & Barb, Ken & Tracy, Kelly & Suzanne, & Skyler posted:

AJ & Barb, Ken & Tracy, Kelly & Suzanne, & Skyler purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Burl Klinger.

September 10 at 7:00 PM

BL

Barb Logston posted:

He always had a smile on his face. Rest in peace, you will be missed.

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MH

Marge Hatfield posted:

I am so sorry to hear about Burl I always liked to visit with him whwen I worked Wal-Mart and when I shopped after I retired. Rest Burl God bless you.

September 10 at 7:00 PM

LJ

Linda Johnson posted:

RIP Burl, you were a hard working man. If I seen you at the store you always spoke. You will be miss by so many people. I will miss seeing you at the store sweeping the floors. Linda J.

September 10 at 7:00 PM

KK

Kristie Kaski posted:

Kristie Kaski lit a candle in memory of Burl Klinger

September 10 at 7:00 PM

BC

Becky Conn posted:

Seemed like we always ended up in the break room at the same time. I loved visiting and joking with him. Wal-Mart won't be the same without his ornery grin.

September 10 at 7:00 PM

DF

David And Julie Foster posted:

We will miss our Uncle Burl. For years he spent every Christmas Eve as our special 'Santa'. Lee and Keo's Grandkids will always remember him! My Uncle Burl raised a house full of girls and still lived a long life.

September 10 at 7:00 PM

KG

Kevin Gadberry posted:

Growing up I always enjoyed going to Burl and Lorine's to visit, it was always had a good time. My deepest sympathy to Jean, Joan and Lori and their families. Kevin and Amy Gadberry

September 10 at 7:00 PM



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CH

Carolyn Hoxton posted:

Sorry for his family's loss, but he sure lived a good long life, I remember one time when he and Lorine were in the restaurant in Corydon, she stopped to chat, and he didn't say a word, just stood there and smiled, he had a lot of patience. I didn't know him well, but do know some of his family, so sorry for them, hard losing a loved one, thinking of them all. Carolyn Hoxton

September 10 at 7:00 PM

DE

Donovan & Barb Ellis posted:

Joan, Jean & Lori, My sympathies to you and your family with the loss of your father. He was a very nice man. Thoughts and prayers for you all. Donovan Ellis

September 10 at 7:00 PM

TS

Tony Shriver posted:

Condolences to the family. Burl was a good man. He will be missed by a lot of people. He would always find my name badge when I lost it. I'm proud to say that I knew him. You would be hard pressed to find a finer man than him. Tony Shriver

September 10 at 7:00 PM

TS

Tony Shriver posted:

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VI

Violet posted:

I can remember talking to him about his birthday. Such a humble man. He just recently was kind enough to watch over a spill so I could get a mop and bucket. Always willing to help. Will be missed dearly. I remember on his birthday this year I said I wish I would live as long as he is. Unforgettable.

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Media

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