

June 5, 2013 *Obituaries*

Calvin Farnen, 64

Calvin Farnen, 64, Groton, died Monday, May 27, 2013 at Golden Living Center, Groton.

His funeral was Saturday, June 1, 2013 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Groton, with Pastor Elizabeth Johnson officiating. Burial will follow in Fron Lutheran Cemetery, Roslyn, with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, in charge of arrangements.

Calvin Jerome Farnen was born in Webster, June 22, 1948 to Arthur Maurice and Clara R. (Hanson) Farnen. He was baptized at Roslyn Lutheran Church and confirmed at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Bristol. He started in a country school, Liberty District 123. He attended the rest of his grade school in Roslyn and Bristol schools. He graduated from Redfield High School in 1966. Calvin attended Northern State College for two years, majoring in English, with a minor in Speech.

Calvin enlisted in the US Air Force and began active duty December 27, 1968. He served overseas in England, as a maintenance analysis specialist. He received an honorable discharge December 26, 1972 at Travis Air Force Base, Fairfield, Calif.

He worked various jobs in Redfield, before moving to Groton in 1992. He assisted his brother, Clayton, at the meat market and was custodian at the Groton School for over 20 years. He took early retirement in November of 2012, due to his illness.

Calvin enjoyed bowling and playing cards. He really enjoyed beating his nieces and nephews in Pinochle. Solving the crossword puzzle in the daily paper was his goal every day.

He is survived by one sister, Judith "Judy" Schaunaman, Roslyn; two brothers, Errol (Beverly) Farnen, Midwest City, Okla., and Keith (Gloria) Farnen, Redfield; one sister-in-law, Martha Farnen, Groton, and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; two sisters, Maureen (Merrill) Holler and Alice (Lowell) Morehouse; two brothers, Clayton Farnen and David Farnen, and two nieces, Deanna (Holler) Hoffman and JodiLynn Schaunaman.

Honorary casketbearers were all of Calvin's nieces and nephews. Active casketbearers were Clayton "Butch" Farnen, Dale Farnen, Heath Farnen, Tommy Farnen, Mike Holler and Glen Schaunaman.

