



Glenn M. Grotefendt

April 14, 1927 - March 5, 2016

Glenn M. Grotefendt, age 88 of Marine, IL, died Saturday, March 05, 2016, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

He was born April 14, 1927, on the family farm west of Marine, IL, the son of Albert D. and Lena S. (nee Abert) Grotefendt.

On June 22, 1957, he married Marvene A. Schneider who passed away on, November 22, 2010.

He was a member of United Church of Christ of Marine. He was also a member of Madison County Farm Bureau; Marine Lodge #355 AF & AM-Marine, IL; Marine Cemetery Association (President); American Polled Herford Association; Madison County Fair Board;.

Glenn was born in Marine, IL and attended Loos School, west of Marine and graduated Highland High School in 1944. He was a lifelong grain and livestock farmer. His passion was raising and caring for his herd of Polled Hereford Cattle. He, along with his family exhibited many of their cattle at County, State, and National shows. He also enjoyed traveling to and attending Purebred Cattle sales in many states. He was a member of the Madison County Fair Association, serving as the Superintendent of the Beef Show, for many years. He was a strong supporter of 4-H and Junior Livestock shows,

and served on the Madison County Youth Livestock Auction Committee. In recognition of his strong commitment to youth, he was inducted into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame in 2013. With his love for 4-H, Jr. Beef Shows, Madison County Fair and love for Livestock, his work enriched the lives of numerous young people.

Glenn served many years on the Marine Cemetery Association Board. He currently was serving as President of the Cemetery Board, a position he held for over 30 years. He was also a member of the Marine Masonic Lodge #355, the Madison County Farm Bureau, and had been a member of the Illinois Polled Hereford Association, the American Hereford Association, and the Illinois Beef Association. Glenn had a keen interest in cemeteries, which led him to research the history and ancestry of many families. His interest and knowledge of the Civil War was extraordinary. He had a never-ending quest to always learn more about it, which led him to Gettysburg in 2013. He loved reading, Polka dancing, and working with his International H and M tractors.

Survivors include :

Daughter - Teri L. (Terry C.) Leitschuh, Marine, IL

Brother - Earl E. Grotefendt, Highland, IL

Nieces and Nephews - Many

He was preceded in death by :

Father - Albert D. Grotefendt died 2/12/1993

Mother - Lena S. Grotefendt nee Abert died 6/2/1982

Wife - Marvene A. Grotefendt nee Schneider died 11/22/2010

Son - Gary G. Grotefendt died 6/7/1983

Brother - August A. Grotefendt died 03/10/1993

Sister - Doris Badalamenti died 3/10/1977

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, March 09, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Thursday, March 10, 2016, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Thursday, March 10, 2016, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL., with Rev. Philip H. Kershner officiating.

Interment will be at Marine Cemetery in Marine, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to United Church of Christ of Marine ; Glenn M. Grotefendt Memorial Junior Beef Awards Fund (make checks to G.M.G. Memorial Fund).

Tribute Wall



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Glenn M. Grotefendt.* ”



March 09, 2016 at 12:59 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Glenn M. Grotefendt.* ”



March 08, 2016 at 09:01 AM



“ *Neil H Straube purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Glenn M. Grotefendt.* ”



Neil H Straube - March 07, 2016 at 09:14 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Glenn M. Grotefendt.* ”



March 07, 2016 at 05:21 PM