



William Riley Haupt

March 25, 1932 - April 18, 2026

William Riley Haupt, 94, passed away Saturday evening, April 18, 2026. He was born on March 25, 1932, on his family farm north of Dunbar, Nebraska to Roy and Lena Haupt. He was baptized at the Dunbar Presbyterian Church and graduated from Nebraska City high school in 1950. Bill was QMC SGT in the US Army (January 15, 1953 - January 14, 1955) where he served as a cook in the Korean War. After his time in the military, Bill worked for Burlington Northern RR and retired after 30 years as a machinist.

Bill married Vera Thomson on September 9, 1956. Through this marriage, they were blessed with four children: Dwight, Duane, Cheryl and Nancy. After Vera passed away on March 9, 1987, Bill remarried; he and Lois Smith were wed on October 28, 1989. He gained four stepchildren: Steve, Linda, Deb and Lisa. Bill and Lois moved to Shawnee, KS and lived with Deb from 2014-2022 until they moved to assisted living at Brookdale in Overland Park, then eventually Lifecare Center in Osawatomie until Lois's passing on August 19, 2023. Bill moved to Providence Place Nursing Home in October, 2023 and lived there until he passed on April 18, 2026.

Bill loved the KC Royals and KC Chiefs, Nebraska Huskers and everything sports! He and Lois were avid square dancers and camped frequently in their RV with their friends from their square dancing club. He was a member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church in Lenexa, Kansas and the First United

Methodist Church in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Bill was preceded in death by both of his parents, first wife Vera, second wife Lois, daughter Nancy, stepdaughter Lisa, and son in law Greg Nosky. He is survived by his children Dwight Haupt (Lorraine), Duane Haupt, and Cheryl Nosky; stepchildren Deb Plucknett and former son in law Dave Plucknett, Linda Smith, Steve Smith (Kathy); grandchildren Bob and Chris Nosky, Kyle, Kaleb and Kory Larimore, Krista Jordan, Ben Giguere, Devin & Carl Nygren, Kaylee Swartz; and many loving friends.

Bill donated his body to KU Med willed body program, when his cremated remains are returned an interment will take place at Wyuka Cemetery in Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Cemetery Details

Wyuka Cemetery

S 19th St.
Nebraska City, NE 68410