

Pete Twedt June 06, 1930 - April 29, 2023

Harris (Pete) J. Twedt, Jr., 92 of Story City passed away on April 29, 2023 at Bethany Life in Story City. Funeral services will be Wednesday May 3, 2023 at 10:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Burial will follow in the Roland Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday from 5 to 7 at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Harris (Pete) J. Twedt, Jr. was born on June 6, 1930, the oldest son of Harris and Myrtle (Branjord) Twedt Sr. He graduated from Roland High School and he enlisted in the US Navy for two years. After his discharge, Pete returned to Roland and married his high school sweetheart Viola Mae Lura on September 24, 1950 at Bergen Lutheran Church in Roland. He worked for Roland Bank for a year and then he and Vi moved to Ellsworth to work for Bill Thoreson, managing his turkey farm. They were involved at Trinity Lutheran Church, singing in the choir and eventually Pete directed the choir. In 1963, they moved to a farm three miles north of Roland where he farmed and lived until he retired in 1998. They moved to Story City, where he worked for Soderstrum Funeral Home for 23 years and joined Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Pete was a member of the State of Iowa Hall of Fame Selection, a member of WHO Radio Name Hall of Fame, Bergen Lutheran Church Council and Choir, Roland-Story School Board, Heart of Iowa Coop Board, and Beloit of Iowa Board. He loved singing and enjoyed basketball, baseball, golf and especially family.

Pete's survivors include his children, Karen (Brad) Anderson, Steven Twedt, Kathryn (Gary) Filipiak and Robert (Barbara) Twedt. He loved and enjoyed his six grandchildren, Elizabeth, Matthew, Michael, Brian, Allison, and Margaret; his many great grandchildren. His brothers and sisters are Herma Swenson, Jerry (Barbara) Twedt, Paul (Sharon) Twedt and Linda (Dave) Iverson.

Pete was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Viola Mae; and brother-in-law, David Swenson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Riverside Bible Camp or Bethany Life.

Blessed be the memory of Harris Twedt, Jr.

A heartfelt thank you to all who come today from near and far. The family deeply appreciates those who have made this celebration of Pete's life possible. Thank you so much to nurses and staff at Mary Greeley, Bethany Life, Cedar Place, Soderstrum Funeral Home and Sandy Anenson.

Cemetery



Tribute Wall

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Bud Legg

"Pete" was a gentle man who was a devout Christian and a friend of many. He was active in the Roland and Story City communities and a strong advocate of the school system. I met him through our connections with sports and he always had kind word for friend or foe regardless of the outcome of the games. He was a true sport and his infectious smile put everyone at ease. His rich singing voice blessed his audience and his rendition of "The Lord's Prayer" elicited comfort and hope. He earned his Heavenly Home with the life he led and will be missed. May his many memories ease his loss for his family. RIP my good friend!

Betty Tungesvik Gordon

To Pete's family, Where do I begin to talk about this exceptional singer Who sang at so many funerals including my mom, Alice Tungesvik. Pete sang wind beneath my wings that had recently come out. So he was unfamiliar with this song and our church's microphone was acting up a lot during the singing of that song. My heartfelt sympathies to each of you for the loss of your dad, grandpa, and great grandpa since that information was not available on this obituary. We all loved and cherished your dad and your late mom, Vi. They each were good humanitarians with so much compassion, friendship, laughter, and practiced the Golden rule daily. Your dad had the same type of colon cancer mom did When she died 33 years ago July 22. So many advances have been made since then allowing your dad to live so many more decades than mom did. Rest in peace Pete now joining your wife , Vi, And other family members. Betty Tungesvik Gordon, Ames

S Scott Anderson

Pete was a pillar of the community, and a friend to so many. My late wife (Carole Hennessy) had one very strong wish for our wedding in 1979, and that was to have Pete sing The Lord's Prayer. He did a marvelous job, as he did thousands of times. He will be missed.



Vera Rabe

I took of Pete at cedar place for two years.. sweetest man. Will miss him dearly ??

