



## Howard J. Heisterkamp

January 6, 1939 - September 14, 2012

Howard J. "Butch" Heisterkamp, age 73 of Carroll, died late Friday evening, September 14, 2012 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 18, 2012 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Timothy Johnson. Music will be by Barb McDermott and the Holy Spirit Choir with John Wagner as soloist. Lectors for the funeral mass will be Butch's daughter, Kim Vandendriessche and Butch's granddaughters: Jamie Vandendriessche, Kristin Etherington, Marisa Heisterkamp, and Katie Jackson. Gift Bearers will be Butch's children: Terri Heisterkamp and Doug Heisterkamp. Casket Bearers will be Butch's grandsons: Jacob Heisterkamp, Josh Heisterkamp, Jonathan Heisterkamp, Joel Heisterkamp, Bryce Vandendriessche, and Zach Heisterkamp. The Breda Catholic Order of Foresters will form an honor guard for the funeral mass. Burial will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 4:30 p.m. on Monday where there will be a rosary at 5 p.m. by the Breda Catholic Order of Foresters and a Christian Wake Service at 7 p.m. by Holy Spirit Parish. The casket will be moved to Holy Spirit Church at 9 a.m. on Tuesday where visitation will resume until time of the funeral mass. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Butch's family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Born on January 6, 1939 at Carroll, Iowa, Howard J. Heisterkamp was the son of Leo "Blackie" and Leonella (Wess) Heisterkamp. Butch attended St. Bernard's School and graduated with the Class of 1956 from St. Bernard's High School. Following his formal education he worked along with his father at Breda Auto. On August 1, 1959 he was united in marriage to Kay Fleskes at St. Lawrence Church in Carroll. Over a span of 40 years Butch managed several different car businesses in Iowa and South Dakota. In the late seventies he ran for the Iowa State Senate and later became the Carroll County Chairman for the Democratic Party. Butch and Kay retired to the Carroll Community in 2000. He was an avid Cyclones and Yankees fan, loved the outdoors, enjoyed his dogs, Charlie and Bogie and loved playing golf. Butch was devoted to his family and was always interested and involved in his grandchildren's lives. He was past Exalted Ruler of the Elks Club, member of the Breda Catholic Order of Foresters, and was a member of Holy Spirit

Parish in Carroll.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Kay Heisterkamp of Carroll; his children: Kim (Mike) Vandendriessche of Cedar Falls, Dave (Deb) Heisterkamp of Polk City, Terri Heisterkamp of Roland, and Doug Heisterkamp of Johnston; 10 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; his sisters: Bonnie Henrich of Iowa Falls, Shirley (Ron) Longacre of Bellevue, NE, and Jayne (Gary) Koster of Henderson, NV; one brother, Ken (Marlene) Heisterkamp of Rapid City, SD; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Annette (Bob) Oswald of Carroll, Vera (Duane) Sporrer of Carroll, Judie (Tex) Adams of Esterville, and Jack (Shirley) Fleskes of Highlands Ranch, CO; as well as other extended relatives and many friends.

Butch was preceded in death by his parents; and his in-laws: Pat (Tex) Sturm and Don Henrich.

# Comments

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“ Kay and family: May the Lord hold you tightly in the palm of His hand during your time of sorrow.

**Carol Killeen Miller** - September 24, 2012 at 12:44 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to all of the Heisterkamp family. We will always remember Butch's great sense of humor and ready smile. So many great baseball memories with Butch years ago. God rest his soul Larry & Diane

**Larry & Diane Wilberding** - September 20, 2012 at 07:10 PM

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“ Even though I never got to meet Butch, I feel I know him based on the hundreds of stories Terri has shared about her amazing dad. What a wonderful and exciting life he lead, and I know what a gap losing someone so vital and important will leave. Hopefully as your family has had time to share memories, you will realize those we love are forever a part of our lives as they live on in our hearts. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

**Tammy Dickinson-Ferrell** - September 18, 2012 at 04:59 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy Kay & Family. Thank you for being such good friends with Leroy & Norma all these years. Butch was always so happy and jolly. He always knew all of us too! May God Bless him!

**Bruce & Mae Vonnahme** - September 18, 2012 at 11:52 AM

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“ As a friend of Terri's, I wanted to send my deepest sympathies and to let you, Terri and your family, know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Although I only met and saw Butch on a few occasions, he was a GREAT guy with a wonderful personality, much like you Terri! I always saw the love and great admiration you had for your father. All my best..

**Rhonda Mont** - September 17, 2012 at 11:50 AM



“ Kay and Family, I send my deepest sympathy to you and your family over the death of Butch. There are never words to ease the pain and sadness of your heavy hearts at this time.

Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your children and grandchildren, at this time of grief and mourning.

With sincere sympathy. Toni Jacobson

**Toni Jacobson** - September 17, 2012 at 09:26 AM

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“ Prayers being lifted for you Heisterkamps! So many memories of Butch! Might God grant you peace and comfort in the days to come!

**Doug and Jen Diers** - September 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

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“ Doug,  
I am sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I lost my dad Sept. 3rd. My prayers are with you and all your family.

Grant Gustofson

**Grant Gustofson** - September 17, 2012 at 08:15 AM