



Fred Gosch

November 25, 1933 - October 8, 2020

Fred Gosch, 86, of Carroll died October 8, 2020 at St Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at St. John Paul II Parish – Holy Spirit Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Patrick Behm. Music will be Marcy Anderson. Lector for the Funeral Mass will be John Steffes. Casket Bearers will be Fred's family. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll with Military Honors conducted by the Carroll American Legion.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Monday at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll. There will be no public visitation on Tuesday at the church. For those in attendance, face coverings are required at the funeral home and at the church.

Memorials may be directed to Fred Gosch Family, c/o Sharp Funeral Home, 226 W. 8th St. Carroll, IA 51401.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Fred's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Fred's friendship and caring nature will be greatly missed by family, friends, neighbors, former students, and business acquaintances.

Fred was born November 25, 1933 at Sac City, Iowa, the son of Alfred and Alyce (Henrich) Gosch. Fred attended rural schools in Sac County, Graduated from Sac City High School with the class of 1951 and later attending Iowa State University. Fred served in United States Army for 2 years during Korean war and was honorably discharged in 1956.

On July 12, 1955 he married Norma Steffes at Holy Angels Church in Roselle. They spent the next year and half in Alaska during service. Upon discharge, they moved to Ames while Fred finished college at Iowa State. Graduating with a B.S. Degree in Ag Education in 1958.

Fred taught Vo-Ag at Newell, IA, Worked in Ag Sales & Mgmt. for Felco-Land'O'Lakes, Farm Mgt. and Ag. Real Estate. In 1975 Fred & Norma moved to Webster City, where they farmed for 25 years before retiring to Carroll in 2000.

Fred served as President of the Iowa Fertilizer- Chemical Dealers, Chairman of the Iowa Department of Environmental Quality Commission, was a Master Pork Producer, was active on the parish council and served as Finance Chairman at St. Thomas Aquinas in Webster City.

Fred was a member of Holy Spirit Catholic church and Men's club, and volunteer at the Carroll Veterans Administration and St. Anthony Hospital. He was honored to take part in the Washington, DC Honor Flight in May 2015.

Fred is survived by his wife Norma Gosch of Carroll; his children: Karen (Mike) Nelson, Muscatine; Nancy (Steve) Flynn, Spring, TX.; Randy (Gayle) Gosch, Grimes Jerry (Julie) Gosch, Missouri City, TX; Brian (Joni) Gosch,

New Brighton, MN., plus 9 living grandchildren, and 4 great-grand children. His brothers and sisters: Joyce Gosch, Co, Eleanor Olerich of Wall Lake, Betty and Vern Riesselman of Halbur, Rich and Sandi Gosch of FL, Mary and Carl Snyder of Breda, John and Sheila Gosch of AZ, Ruth and Mike Leiker of Omaha, Mary Gosch of Omaha, Joan and Jose Hernandez of Omaha, Jan and Daryl Mandel of Omaha, Pat Gosch of Carroll, Mark and Deb Gosch of Auburn and Terry Hogan of TX. In-laws: Marcella Steffes FSPA, La Crosse, WI, Roman & Arlene Steffes Carroll, Luverne Steffes, Roselle, Lorraine Vogl Atlantic, Robert & Rache Steffes KS, Arlene & Melvin Meier, Manning, Marian Pickhinke Ft Dodge, and Carol & Don Mader of Arlington, MN, brother in law Frank Mader of West Bend.

He was preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Alyce Gosch, parents-in-law, John and Anna Steffes and 2 infant grand children, Elizabeth and Nicholas Gosch, brothers: Francis Gosch of CO, Robert Gosch of Omaha, sisters-in-law: Doris Mader of West Bend, Barbara Steffes of Halbur, brothers in-law; Joe Vogl, Atlantic, Francis Olerich of Wall Lake.

Tribute Wall

KC

“ I had not heard. I am so sorry for your loss. I remember staying at the Fred Gosch home while visiting his daughter, my wonderful college friend Nancy, and had the opportunity to meet the entire family, see the farm and go out to the corn field. I have wonderful memories. We laughed a lot! I really enjoyed listening to family stories then and over the years! What a wonderful family! My heart goes out to all of you at this difficult time. Please accept my most sincere sympathy. Kimberly Contag

Kimberly Contag - November 22, 2020 at 09:33 PM

ME

“ I have many fond memories as a kid on the farm spending time with the Gosch family. Fred was a great neighbor and a teacher at heart who always took time to share his insights and knowledge about agriculture which helped shape my development. He leaves a lasting legacy of beautiful memories with love for family, friends and neighbors. May he rest in peace.

My sincere condolences to Norma, Karen, Nancy, Randy, Jerry, Brian and all your family.

*Mark Edge
567 Malinmor Dr
Weldon Spring, MO*

Mark Edge - October 11, 2020 at 01:18 PM

CS

“ Carl & Mary Snyder lit a candle in memory of Fred Gosch



Carl & Mary Snyder - October 11, 2020 at 12:03 AM

CA

RIP Fred. You will be missed.

Carl - October 11, 2020 at 12:04 AM

SC

“ Sympathies from Beaver Creek Golf Club purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Fred Gosch.



Sympathies from Beaver Creek Golf Club - October 10, 2020 at 06:52 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Fred Gosch.



October 10, 2020 at 04:05 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Fred Gosch.*



October 10, 2020 at 02:40 PM



“ *Nancy, Steve and Erin Flynn purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Fred Gosch.*



Nancy, Steve and Erin Flynn - October 10, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ *I went to Uncle Fred's home earlier this year to visit with my mother, Lorraine... Fred and Norma were both so welcoming and kind, always thinking of how make our visit more comfortable for Mom. They even sent us home with some of their favorite popcorn! He will be fondly remembered.*

Diane Eblen - October 09, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ *Uncle Fred was one half of a great couple. He and Norma made a couple that one would like to emulate. At family gatherings, I was impressed with how he would ask about my kids and was genuinely interested in their paths and avenues; even though they are 70 years younger than he.*

Ann Wittrock - October 09, 2020 at 08:20 AM

DT

I wholeheartedly agree. Uncle Fred was so loved and respected! He was a remarkable man of kindness, decency, and humility. As a model of faithfulness, he stood by Truth, and he loved his dear bride, Aunt Norma. Saint Joseph, patron of a peaceful death, surely must have been interceding for him. Both Uncle Fred's inspiring life and death reveal the tremendous effect of the graces of the Sacraments of the Church.

Denise Terneus - October 09, 2020 at 10:20 PM