



## Neil Polking

October 30, 1930 - April 30, 2014

Neil Polking, 83 of Breda, died Wednesday evening, April 30, 2014 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 5, 2014 at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Breda. The Celebrant will be Fr. Gary Snyder. Music will be by Marilyn Hundling and the St. Bernard's Choir. Soloists for the funeral mass will be: Rhonda Derby, Jill Fitzgerald, Sara Canady and Abby Heim. Lector for the funeral mass will be Marlene Goecke. Gift Bearers will be Marilyn Eischeid and Diane Rosteck. Eucharistic Minister will be Bev Bruning. Casket Bearers will be: Kevin Eischeid, Doug Eischeid, Jim Eischeid, Ken Eischeid, Frank Eischeid, and Dean Bruning. Burial will be in the parish cemetery with military honors conducted by the Breda American Legion. The Breda Catholic Order of Foresters will form an honor guard for the funeral mass.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Breda after 2:30 p.m. on Sunday where there will be a rosary at 3 p.m. and a Christian Wake Service at 5 p.m.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Breda and online condolences may be left for Neil's family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

Neil F. Polking was born on October 30, 1930 at Carroll, Iowa the son of Art and Alvina (Wessling) Polking. He spent his entire lifetime in the Breda Community and was a graduate of St. Bernard's High School. Following his formal education Neil served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict and after his honorable discharge returned to Breda.

On August 22, 1953 he was united in marriage to Marlys Goecke at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Breda. Neil was employed at Breda Oil and later went to work for Carroll County where he worked in the roads and maintenance department and drove a maintainer in the Breda area.

Neil was an avid baseball fan playing for a farm league team in his younger years, coaching Little League and also announcing for baseball games. He enjoyed horseshoes, bowling, gardening and loved fishing. He was a 60 year member of the Breda American Legion, member of St. Bernard's Parish and St. Bernard's Parish Choir.

Survivors include his children: Russ Polking and wife Ann of Newton, Carol Heim and husband Joe of Cedar Rapids, and Rhonda Derby and husband John of Ralston, NE; 8 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; his sisters: Marilyn Eischeid of Halbur and Diane (John) Rosteck of Cedar Rapids; his in-laws: Delores Kanne of Carroll, Madonna Koster of Breda, Marinell (Warren) Garnatz of LaVista, NE, and Marlene Goecke of Remsen; as well as many nieces, nephews, other extended relatives and many friends.

Neil was preceded in death by his parents and his wife Marlys in April of 2009.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *May the God of Tender Mercy be a source of Comfort for the family during your time of Bereavement. God whose name is Jehovah and his son Jesus Christ, are concern over your loss. Their promise is that our love one can live again. (Read John 5:28&29) Not only will he get rid of Death but also sickness. (Read revelation 21:3&4 & Isaiah 33:24). He's getting rid of Sickness and Death because it was never God purpose for us to Die.*

*During this difficult time , God word can be a Great Comfort the family*

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**Teri Morgan** - June 25, 2014 at 07:05 PM

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“ *To Neil's family,  
Thank you for the honor to care for your Dad while he was a resident at St. Anthony. I will not be able to attend any of his services asa I will beout of town. He was such a good man. He will be missed. Keeping you in prayer*



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**Peg Scheidt** - May 02, 2014 at 01:07 PM

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“ *UNCLE NEIL... I WILL MISS YOU... YOU ALWAYS SEEMED LIKE SUCH A LARGE MAN WITH AN EQUALLY LARGE HEART.... I HOPE YOU ARE GETTING YOUR GARDEN PLANTED AND BASKING IN THE SUNSHINE... GIVE MARLYS A HUG AND KISS FROM ME.... HUGS AND PRAYERS TO RUSS, CAROL, AND RHONDA AND THE REST OF YOUR DEAR FAMILY... LOVE YOU KATHY*

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**KATHY TRACY** - May 02, 2014 at 10:04 AM

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“ *Lisa R. purchased the Sacred Cross Bouquet for the family of Neil Polking.*



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**Lisa R.** - May 02, 2014 at 08:27 AM

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“ *I remember your dad with a smile, Rhonda. When we moved you to a new apartment and he had me park so close to a retaining wall that I couldn't open my driver's door, picking fresh beans in your folk's garden to pitch like dog biscuits to my waiting Labradors. It was so obvious how much he loved his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I wish hope and healing for your entire family.*

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**Annie Kelley** - May 01, 2014 at 03:58 PM

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*Neal was a favorite among the Schoenjahn clan - Brian, Ann, Chuck and Jean. A great big bear of a man with the best laugh and deep down goodness. Rest in peace dear cousin.*

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**Ann Wagoner** - May 02, 2014 at 10:33 AM

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*Please forgive my spelling error, Neil - I know better!*

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**Ann Wagoner** - May 02, 2014 at 10:40 AM