



## Oscar Kerchner

December 20, 1924 - May 14, 2011

Oscar A. Kerchner, age 86, of Amboy died Saturday, May 14, 2011, at KSB Hospital in Dixon. He was born Dec. 20, 1924 in Mendota, Illinois, the son of Carl and Rena (Mann) Kerchner. He married Ethel Mellott May 26, 1945, in Ottawa, Illinois. She preceded him in death September 28, 2003. Oscar farmed his entire life, from the time he was a child, first on the farm where he was born, and then, beginning in 1953, on his own farm (Quiet Acres) northwest of Amboy - having a Grade A dairy herd, hogs, many crops, as well as a hay delivery business. Along with his farming, Oscar also did construction work (carpentry and concrete), which included building several houses and chairing the building committee for the construction of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Amboy in 1969. Oscar enjoyed playing his harmonica, gardening, reminiscing with friends and family, and building toys for his grandchildren. Oscar was also preceded in death by his parents; 2 sisters, Marie Piller and Margaret Piller; 1 brother, George Kerchner; 2 grandchildren, Daniel and Catherine Higby; 1 step grandson; 3 step great-grandchildren; and many friends. Survivors include 4 daughters, Betty (James) Higby of Dixon, Bonnie Kersten of DeKalb, Joy (Gordon) Meyer of Dixon, and Joan (Mace) Jacobs of Lake City, KS; 8 grandchildren, Eric Higby, Laura Kersten, Grant Kersten, Tara (Todd) Mencias, Robin Dieken, Alan (Sarah) Meyer, Justin Jacobs, and Dean Jacobs; 3 great grandchildren, Carmen Dieken, Gillian Higby, and Quinn Higby; 5 step-grandchildren; 8 step-great grandchildren; 1 sister Ruth Molln, of Van Orin; 3 brothers, Carl

Kerchner, Wilbert Kerchner, and Kenneth Kerchner, all of Mendota; and many dear friends. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2011, at 10:00 AM in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Amboy, with the Rev. Vicki Sauter, Pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Dixon, followed by a fellowship luncheon at the church. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 17, from 4:00 until 7:00 PM in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy and also from 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM on Wednesday in the church prior to services. A memorial has been established to Immanuel Lutheran Church.

# Tribute Wall



“ Oscar Kerchner

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ Oscar Kerchner

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ We will deeply miss our dear friend Oscar. We feel very blessed to have had numerous visits spent with him, listening to his stories and enjoying church service together. I'll never forget when we went on a date for the church Christmas party. Oscar wouldn't eat onion rings because it wasn't gentlemen like to have onion breath. He definitely was a gentleman. I don't know if he even really knew Brent's name...Oscar just always called him "Lucky". Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. "Earth has no sorrow heaven cannot heal!" Godspeed dear Oscar! xoxoxo

Maria and Brent Bonine - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ To Betty & Family,

So sorry to hear of the passing of your father. We can empathize with what you are feeling. Please know that we are praying for you and your family for comfort and strength during this time of loss.  
Greg & Jeanne

Greg & Jeanne Hackbarth - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Joy Meyer and Family:*

*Please accept our deepest sympathy on the loss of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

*Ken and Jane Reuter*

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**Kenneth and Jane Reuter** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *So sorry to here about your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Cheryl (Brownlee) Smith** - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM