

Salem, NE

Ron Fritz, 84, of Salem, NE, passed away November 18, 2020 at his home. He was born September 7, 1936 on the family farm north of Salem to Harvey and Violet (Jones) Fritz.

He married Brenda Wiar on February 5, 1961 at Falls City, NE

Ron enlisted in the U. S. Army on March 29, 1956 at Falls City. He earned a Sharpshooter Badge and was honorably discharged on December 31, 1957 at Ft. Sheridan, IL.

Ron was raised north of Salem and graduated Verdon High School in 1954. He attended the University of Nebraska and ran track. When discharged he returned to Salem and was a member of the Nebraska National Guard. When married the couple established their home on the family farm and he took over the farming operation following the death of his father. He retired from farming in 2014 but still helped when needed. He was a member of the Brethren Church at Falls City, he served on the Verdon School board and drove a school bus. He was a past deacon of the Verdon Congregational Church and a long time umpire and member of the ASA Umpires Association for more than 40 years.

Ron is survived by his wife, Brenda of Salem, daughters, Ronda Fritz of Avoca, IA, Stacey Duerfeldt and her husband Stan of Falls City, sister, Catherine Palensky of Omaha, granddaughters, Shelby Kuker and her husband Eli and Lindsey Duerfeldt and her significant other Payton Adams, sisters-in-law, Barbara Young of Jefferson City, MO, Linda Wiar of Falls City, Jakie Fritz of Phoenix, AZ, Jeanine Wiar of Boise, ID, nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. He was preceded in death his parents, sons, Brad and Ronnie, brothers, Art and Bob.

His funeral will be held on Saturday, December 5, 2020 at 1:30 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home with Pastor Victor Haworth officiating. Interment will be in Verdon Cemetery. Military graveside honors by Falls City Ceremonial Honor Guard.

COVID 19 Funeral Guidelines will be implemented with limited spaced seating (25% occupancy), 6 feet of separation between household units and masks required. Services will be broadcast on 88.7 FM near the funeral home and livestreamed on Dorr and Clark Funeral Home's Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/dorrandclarkfuneralhome>

The family will receive friends on Monday from 6-8:00 PM at Dorr and Clark Funeral Home, masks required.