

Huron, KS



Karl Duane Gfeller, age 88, of Huron, Kansas, died Wednesday, June 9, 2021.

Funeral services will be Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at the Arensberg-Pruett Funeral Home. Visitation will follow the service until 3:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to NEK Hospice or Lancaster United Methodist Church and may be left in care of the Arensberg-Pruett Funeral Home, 208 N. 5th Street with whom care has been entrusted.

Karl was born December 26, 1932, in Chapman, Kansas the son of Louis K. and Ida E. (Debenham) Gfeller. He attended schools in Chapman and graduated from Chapman High School.

He and Yasu A. Watanabe were united in marriage on July 17, 1965 in Abilene, Kansas. Yasu preceded him in death on December 30, 2006.

Karl was a farmer his entire life in the Chapman, Kansas area. He also was a miller at the Abilene Flour Mill until he moved to Atchison, Kansas where he helped build Lincoln Grain; he was employed there until his retirement. He was a great storyteller, enjoyed attending auctions and collecting antique farm equipment. He attended the Kansas and Missouri State Fair's nearly every year. He loved his family and most of all, his grandchildren.

Survivors include his daughters, Sue Ann Bell (Vern), Joan Padgett (Dan); four grandchildren, Timothy (Stacey) Bell, Jeffrey (Sarah) Bell, Preston (Amanda) Padgett, Paige Padgett; and six great grandchildren, McKenzi, Skylar, Landen, Abraham, Theodore and Augustus Bell.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Leroy Gfeller; and his sisters, Elmerta Wilson and Linda Paulson.