



Thurman "Thurm" Arnold Garner 87, of Hastings, Nebraska formerly of Burwell, Nebraska was serenaded home to the pearly gates of heaven by his family on Thursday October 24, 2019.

Thurm lived a full life with so many amazing accomplishments. Born, Thurman Arnold Garner on March 5, 1932 in Sherman County Nebraska to John and Sarah (Clingman) Garner. At the age of 13, Thurman located to Elyria, NE to live with his foster parents Cash and Florence Welniak helping Cash with farming, ranching and his gravel operation. Wanting to see more of the world, Thurman joined the military and honorably served in the U. S. Army: Company B, First Battalion, Eleventh Armored Cavalry Regiment from January 1953 to January 1955.

Thurm had many career paths, two of them were his passion for repairing old cars, and driving trucks to take-in all the beautiful countryside. Thurm was well known for his quick wit, tinkering in the garage, and the way he could just waltz across the dance floor making it look like he was floating on air. He married Darlene Dent on November 25, 1956. They were blessed with five children: Cindora, Lindora, Tamara, Timothy, and Christina. In 1990, he tragically lost his wife Darlene. In 2004 Thurm was blessed to meet his Significant other, Cherie Korgan, and shared the rest of his remaining years with her traveling and making enduring memories.

He is preceded in death by his parents John and Sara, foster parents Cash and Florence, sister Dolores Murphy, foster sister Lana Welniak, in-laws, Earl and Ella (Finlason) Dent, and wife Darlene (Dent) Garner.

He is survived by his Significant Other, Cherie Korgan, her 3 children, 5 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren; his five children, Cindy (Garner) Markvicka and her husband Carl; Lindy Garner, and partner Bryan Sanford; Tam (Garner) Combs and her husband Steve, Dr. Tim Garner and wife Kim; Chris Garner and husband Richard; 15 grandchildren, and 16 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at the First Christian Church in Burwell, Nebraska. Visitation will be from 5 – 7 p.m. Monday at the First Christian Church. Flowers may be sent to Burwell Floral and Bridal Loft, Burwell NE. 68823, and Donations in honor of Thurman should be presented to the Burwell Christian Church or to the Burwell Volunteer fire department. Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell, Nebraska is in charge of arrangements.