



Sam Kool

March 15, 1932 - June 8, 2019

Sam Kool, 87, of Eddyville passed away Saturday, June 8, 2019, at the Mahaska Health Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa.

Samuel Rudolph Kool, son of Fred and Frieda (Hewitt) Kool, was born March 15, 1932, in Mahaska County, Iowa. He attended Mahaska County rural schools and was a 1951 graduate of Oskaloosa High School. Sam married Alice Van Zante on April 3, 1953.

Sam's love of farming started at a young age; as a boy, he worked for neighboring farmers as a hired man and continued to do so throughout his high school years. After high school graduation, he was hired by Iowa Power Company. He worked firing the boilers and later as a truck driver for the line crew. During this time, Sam served in the National Guard for nine years. He worked for the power company for 12 years, and during that time, Sam was able to realize his dream of owning and operating a farm. He and Alice purchased 40 acres in Mahaska County and then 100 acres on the Glendale Road. In 1969, they acquired their farm in Monroe County near Albia. In addition to farming, Sam operated Sam Kool By-Product Feed until his retirement in 2000. After his retirement, Sam continued to enjoy following the business investment world.

As a father, Sam very much enjoyed raising his sons and the activities they did together, and he was very proud of their accomplishments as young men and throughout their lives. In his free time, Sam enjoyed reading and riding his bicycle. He was a member of the Eddyville United Methodist Church.

Sam is survived by his wife, Alice of Eddyville; three sons and daughters-in-law: Ronald Kool of Tucson AZ, Roger and Betty Kool of Albia, and Steven and Cathy of Moravia; three grandchildren: Adam (Casey) Kool of Moravia, Lori Kool of Des Moines, and Brian (Kristin) Kool of Eddyville; four great-grandchildren: Lane, Sidney, Bentley and Mackenzie; and a brother and sister-in-law, Howard and Janet Kool of McCook NE.

In addition to his parents, Sam was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Denise at birth; three sisters: Stella Cook, Zua Kool, and Kathy Rawson; and four brothers: Tony, Clayton, Harry, and Andrew in childhood.

Funeral Services for Sam will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 12, at Langkamp Funeral Chapel with Rev. Olivia Fabros of the Eddyville United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be at Forest Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday; the family will greet visitors from 5-7 p.m.

Tuesday. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Mahaska Health Foundation for the Serenity House or the Iowa Alzheimer's Association.

Cemetery Details

Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
secretary@forestcemetery.com
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

Previous Events

Open Visitation

JUN 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Family Visitation

JUN 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Sam Kool*



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - June 10, 2019 at 02:29 PM

LP

That was an awesome memorial of your dad. Keep those memories. Thinking of you.

Lois Petersen - June 13, 2019 at 09:07 AM

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*our condolences to the family of Sam.
Paul and Bev Floden*

bev floden - June 13, 2019 at 09:14 PM



“ *Sam Kool*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM

CW

“ *Alice and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Keeping you in my prayers.*

Carol Wonderlich - June 10, 2019 at 09:40 PM

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“ I have fond memories of my Uncle Sam growing up and going to the farm. Being a city boy, it was fun doing the chores, riding the Honda, and being a farm boy during my visits. I remember Sam had me first driving the big John Deere and had Steve on the smaller Ford. That didn't last long after Sam observed my tractor driving skills, he had Steve and me trade tractors. Looking back, he knew best! My Dad, Clayton, was very proud of his brother and told stories of their childhood that had us all laughing. Alice and family, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Kevin Kool and family

Keviin Kool - June 10, 2019 at 08:00 PM

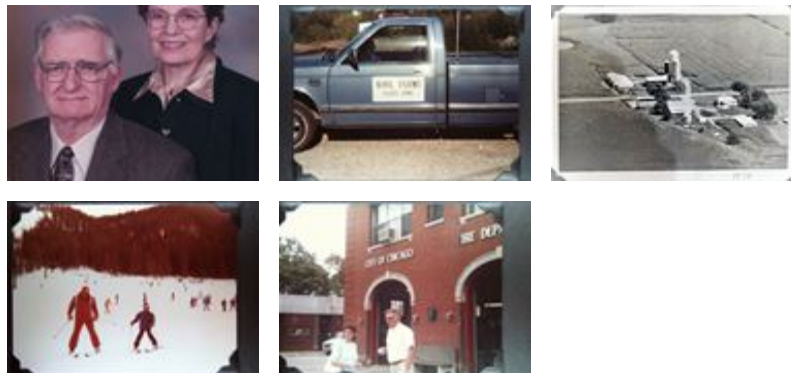
MK

“ Uncle Sam Kool what great memories! The days of snow skiing at Keystone or spending time on the farm with him in the Summers will never be forgot,he was always someone I have looked up to and had such a blast with!! My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Mark Kool - June 10, 2019 at 06:04 PM



“ 29 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - June 10, 2019 at 01:23 PM

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“ *My condolences on the passing of Sam. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers*

Peggy Hewitt - June 10, 2019 at 12:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sam Kool.*



June 09, 2019 at 07:00 PM

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“ *Please note that Sam's wife, Alice, prefers that in lieu of flowers - donations be made to Serenity House of Mahaska County health partnership or to the IOWA Alzheimer's Association. Thank you!*

Katie Howard - June 08, 2019 at 09:12 PM