



L. Eugene Kooi

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L. Eugene Kooi, 91, of Camanche passed away Monday, January 10, 2022 at the Alverno

Funeral Services will be 11:00 am, Thursday, January 13, 2022 at the Camanche Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory. Burial will be in Clinton Lawn Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers will be his grandsons: Koby Kooi, Breton Kooi, Nathan Kooi, Brandon Kooi, Kyle Smith, Danniell Kooi and Ryan Kooi. Honorary pallbearers will be Dallas Buxton and Taylor Buxton. Visitation will be 4:00 to 7:00 pm, Wednesday evening at the funeral home.

Leonard Eugene Kooi was born November 8, 1930 in Clinton, Iowa, the son of William James and Catherine (Bigwood) Kooi. He married Shirley Wiebers on April 26, 1949 in Clinton, Iowa; she preceded him in death on October 16, 2018.

Gene worked for Sanitary Farm Dairies as a truck driver, owned and operated Gene's Porta-Wash and was later known for his time that he spent as a greeter at Walmart for 15 years. He enjoyed being social and loved to play cards, dance and play pool. Gene loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Gene is survived by his eight children: Mike (Pam) Kooi of Camanche, Judy (Tom) Determann of Clinton, Richard (Tammie) Kooi of Camanche, Debbie (Tom) Smith of Clinton, Steve (Barb) Kooi of Camanche, Lou-Jean (Todd) Buxton of Seattle, Washington, Brian Kooi of Camanche and Barri Kooi of Camanche; 19 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; one sister: Phyllis Petersen of Clinton; two sisters-in-law: Betty Wiebers of Camanche and Joyce Hart of Camanche; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, step-mother Helen Kooi, wife Shirley, one great grandson Garrett Weber, one brother W. James Kooi, and two sisters: Janice Kooi and Helen Kooi.



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Memorials may be made to the family.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff at the Alverno for taking such good care of their Dad for the past 19 months with a special thank you to “their Angel” Pam Shepherd.



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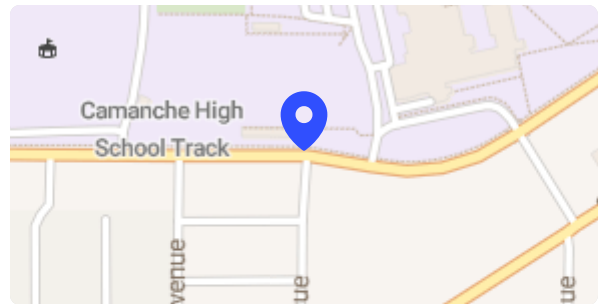
Visitation

 **Wednesday**, January 12, 2022

 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT


 **Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory - Camanche**

16th Avenue & 9th Street, Camanche IA 52730



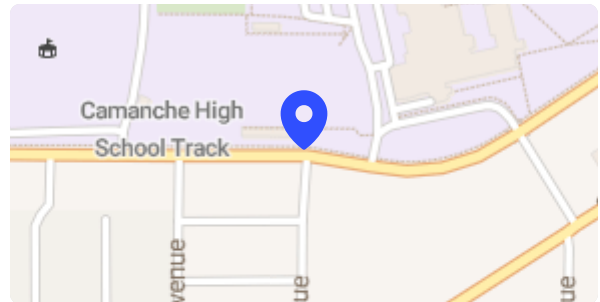
Service

 **Thursday**, January 13, 2022

 11:00 AM CT

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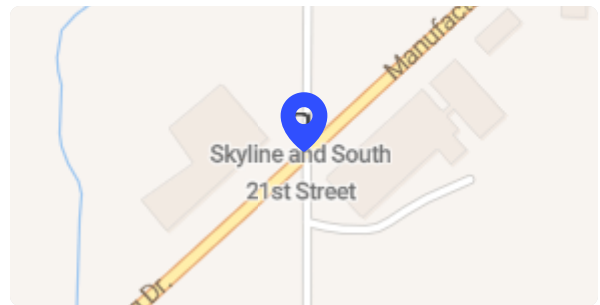
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Cemetery Details

 **Clinton Lawn Cemetery**

2100 Manufacturing Drive, Clinton IA 52732





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Kathy Leinbaugh lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.



January 13 at 12:01 PM



Dennis Hart posted:

Sending our deepest sympathies to the Kooi families. Gene will be missed by all !From the Hart Family.

January 13 at 4:44 AM



Kay Ledrigg posted:

My Heartfelt Condolences to the Kooi Families and especially my long time friend Deb Smith. My heart goes out to you Deb; may your dad RIP with your mom! Carry on in Peace and Love.God Bless

January 12 at 11:02 AM



Kay Ledrigg January 12 at 11:04 AM

I forgot to mention this is Lory Broadrick-Rickertsen Deb. Kay Ledrigg if my fb name.



Karen Scoot lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.



January 12 at 8:39 AM



Bob & Ginny Doescher lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.



January 11 at 2:46 PM



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Margie Wiersema lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.



January 11 at 1:42 PM



Margie Wiersema posted:

Always enjoyed his greetings and lovely Smile and warmth Sending Sympathy and Prayers to his Family

January 11 at 1:41 PM



Dan Bentley lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.

Gene was one of my all time favorites. Such a caring loving man. Always remember the little league days. God has gained a wonderful soul. Condolences to the entire Kooi family..RIP Geno! Dan and Kim Bentley



January 11 at 9:44 AM

RK **Rick Kucera** March 22 at 5:52 AM
Amen



Jim & Cheryl Paasch posted:

Our sympathies to the Kooi family. Gene was the "best" Walmart greeter ever! Always had a smile and time to talk.

January 11 at 8:08 AM



Anonymous sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Kooi family.



January 11 at 4:46 AM



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ES

Ellyn And Mark Stuhlman lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.

January 11 at 3:07 AM



RI

Rita posted:

Sending my sincerest condolences to the Kooi Family. Gene was such a kind man and we always looked forward to seeing him at Walmart. Such a friendly and genuine man. He will be dearly missed. RIP Gene. Rita McFarlin

January 10 at 11:34 PM

EV

Esther Vogel lit a candle in honor of L. Eugene.

Gene will be sadly missed by all from his greetings at Walmart to just plain always being a friendly person to all and loving his family with all his heart. Rest in peace Gene. Our condolences to the Kooi family.

January 10 at 6:48 PM



JW

Jon Weber posted:

Gene will be greatly missed by all who knew him. He was a really great person who took time with everyone he delivered milk to in Camanche. I had the greatest respect for him. To all of you, know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Jon, Purl, Troy, Logan, and Carley Weber Hazelwood, MO (formerly of Camanche and Clinton)

January 10 at 4:06 PM

SF

Sheila & Don Franzen sent a virtual gift in honor of L. Eugene.

Deb and family, our sympathy in the loss of your sweet Dad. Hugs and prayers, Sheila & Don Franzen.

January 10 at 11:30 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring L. Eugene by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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