



Anthony "Tony" Groebner

April 8, 1936 - January 17, 2023

Anthony "Tony" Groebner, 86, passed away unexpectedly, January 17, 2023, at his home due to natural causes.

Anthony Albert Groebner was born on April 8, 1936, in Brown County, MN, the son Henry F. and Wilhelmina (Sellner) Groebner. He grew up and attended school in Milroy, MN, graduating from Milroy High School in 1954. He went on to serve in the Minnesota Army National Guard from 1953 until 1956, then the South Dakota Army National Guard until 1961. He served active duty in the US Army from 1961 until his honorable discharge in 1962.

After leaving home, Tony had lived briefly in Tracy, MN, Canton, SD and then settled in Lennox in October of 1959. He was well know in the Lennox area as the owner and operator of Anthony's Bakery, which he operated for decades, until his retirement.

Tony was a member of St. Magdalen Catholic Church, the Lennox American Legion, the Lennox Senior Citizens, the Lenkota Country Club and the Lennox Commercial Club. He was a member and past President of the South Dakota Bakers Association. He was an avid bowler and golfer. He enjoyed spending several winters in Arizona. Tony was a kind and gentle person, who was very active in his community.

Besides his parents, Tony was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary and Martha, and one brother, Norbert.

Grateful for having shared his life are his sister, Veronica Groebner, St. Paul, MN, brothers: Joe Groebner, Clements, MN and Edwin Groebner, Tracy, MN

as well as host of other relatives and friends.

Memorial services for Tony will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 5, 2023 at the Lennox American Legion Hall, private family burial, will occur, at the South Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Sioux Falls, prior to the service.

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ I am Frieda Williams granddaughter (my grandma worked for Tony for years) and I have so many fond memories of the bakery "goodies" Tony would bring us on holidays. He also did my wedding cake for my wedding. Such a nice man. I hadnt seen that he had passed away until today. I am sorry for your loss.

Jeanie Jacobsen - November 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Tony gave me my first Job at his bakery when I was in high school for \$0.50 an hour. This was in 196r. I got a raise the next year to \$0.65 an hour. I continued to work on weekends at the bakery. He was such a soft spoken and gentle man. I loved his laugh. I learned the value of hard work (washing the large pans and waiting on customers I still remember Tony and all he taught me . I went on to become a physician and owe some of this credit to what I learned from Tony. My heart aches along with your family to learn of his passing. Devera Elcock Skimming

Devera Elcock Skimming - April 05, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Tony was a high school classmate, a gentle quiet man I lost track of many classmates good to hear he was s successful business man May God we welcome him to heaven and we will meet again a friend Josie

Josephine Schmer - February 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Tony’s family. RIP Tony
Classmate in 1954*



Ken Jensen - February 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all the family. Tony was a GREAT FRIEND
OF Arlo s.*

Arlo & Vonnie Larson - January 21, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *Great friend and good bowler very devoted to the men's bowling
association as secretary.*

Jean welch - January 19, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *God Bless you sir. You ran a first-class bakery and certainly will be
missed for your smile.*

Brian Robert Lind - January 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all the family*

Arlo & Vonnie Larson - January 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

HO

“ Oh Tony, he was one of the good ones. I have so many memories of walking across the alley and walking through the back door to get donuts. Stopping either on my way in or out, for a small chat with him, especially as I got older. Lennox was so lucky to have him, and the bakery is missed.

Heather (Stewart) Oltmanns - January 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Thanks for all the great donuts and wonderful breads Tony. You helped to make celebrations special.
Rest in Eternal Peace



Patrice Stake Mingo - January 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Tony will be fondly remembered as a kind and helpful person. and one of the best bakery owners around. my children still talk about going to Tony's on saturday mornings for rolls.

JIM AND PATRICIA KOERNER - January 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Tony was a wonderful friend to the Williamson's. He will be missed. He was one in a million.

RIP Tony.



Diane Bauch - January 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM