



## Elroy Oltmanns

August 1, 1933 - October 30, 2010

Elroy Oltmanns, 77, died Saturday, October 30, 2010 at the Canton Good Samaritan Center due to injuries received in an accidental fall on August 5, 2010. Elroy Steeven Oltmanns was born on a farm west of Lennox, South Dakota on August 1, 1933, the son of Bert S. and Ada (Cramer) Oltmanns. He attended Miller rural school and then moved northeast of Lennox with his parents where he attended Bedford rural school. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War until his honorable discharge. On October 17, 1957 he was united in marriage to Rosella Lier at the Presbyterian parsonage in Lennox. Following their marriage they farmed southwest of Lennox and moved to their farm east of Lennox where Elroy farmed. In 1999 they retired and moved into Lennox. Elroy was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church where he served as an Elder and a trustee. Music was a very important part of Elroy's life. He sang and played his keyboard, fiddle and guitar. He played for the DeVries Quartet and was part of the Evergreen Trio for many years. He and Rosie loved to travel and he helped with harvesting, always a farmer at heart. He was preceded in death by his father on February 17, 1976 and his mother on February 23, 2006. Grateful for having shared his life is his faithful and devoted wife, Rosella; his aunts and uncle, Anton and Iva Oltmanns and Josephine Oltmanns, all of Lennox, as well as many cousins and a host of friends. Memorial services will begin 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3 at Faith Presbyterian Church, Lennox with private burial to precede the service at the Lennox Cemetery. Visitation for the public will begin at noon Tuesday with the

family present 7 to 8 p.m. at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home, Lennox.

# Tribute Wall

TS

“ Elroy and I go back a long way, when his parents lived on a farm west of Lennox and my grandparents Bossman lived just down the road. We played together then -- in the late 1930's and the early '40's. For years we didn't see one another but when LaValley and Faith Presbyterian Churches united, our paths came crossed again - during the few times I visited Faith. It is more difficult to see my own generation pass on - but better when I know where he has traveled to. Blessings to Rosella and the rest of his family and prayers for them as well.

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**The Rev. Dr. Gene Straatmeyer** - November 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Dear Family of Elroy:  
You have my most sincere sympathy in the loss of your special loved one. I will remember his sharing of his music talent.

*In Sympathy,  
Drs. Janell and Ron Beck*

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**Dr Janell Beck** - November 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS. OUR  
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU.

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**LAMONTE,DEDE GEIKEN** - November 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Rosella,  
*I was so surprised to hear about Elroy this morning. You and he were a tremendous couple together.  
I know you will miss him very much.*

*I wish I could be there with you at the service but I'm in Sanibel at this time.*

*You did everything you could to make his time here better. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Becky Cory** - November 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ O Rosie, I am so sorry, He is in a good place. I will pray for you and your family

*Love*

*The Kremer's*

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**Lori Kremer** - November 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM