



## William Roy Creutzberg

May 6, 1920 - June 22, 2017

William Roy Creutzberg, 97, of Central City, died Thursday June 22, 2017 at Litzenberg Long Term Care. Funeral Services will be Monday, June 26, 2107 at 10 a.m. at Solt-Wagner Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Hartley officiating. Visitation will be Sunday, June 25, 2017 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral Home. Burial will be in the Central City Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Nebraska Christian Schools and condolences may be sent to the family at [www.soltwagnerfuneral.com](http://www.soltwagnerfuneral.com).

Roy was born to William A. and Maggie (Greving) Creutzberg on May 6, 1920 in Prairie View, Kansas. Roy's mother died in child birth when he was five years of age. His step-mother was Janna Van de Bunt Creutzberg. He attended a rural country school and graduated from Prairie View High School in 1938. At 16, he professed his faith in Christ and joined the Reformed Church. He entered the United States Army in August of 1942 and was in "C" Battery 194th Field Artillery. He served in the European Theatre of Operations, staging area of North Africa, going to Italy, Battle of Cassino, Anzio Beachhead on through Southern France. He was wounded at Schwabwiller, France. On V.E. Day, he was in Oberammergau, Germany near the Austrian border. He was discharged on October 19, 1945. He received the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and 5 Battle Stars.

Roy farmed for two years in Kansas. On May 28, 1948, he was united in marriage to Gertrude "Trudy" Kneubel and moved to Central City, Nebraska on a farm purchased by his Uncle H. F. Greving. Roy farmed and fed cattle for

47 years and after retiring still helped on the farm. He was active in the Presbyterian Church, with Roy and Trudy being charter members of the Mariners. Roy served numerous 3-year terms on the session with eight different pastors, Henry Wybenga, Robert McLeod, Jim Kidwell, Bert Knudsen, Tom Banks, Lance Ziegler, Clarence McConkey, and Dick Hovis and he served on the Presbyterian Board. He also served on the Mead School Board, Chairman of the Mead Township board, and served 2 terms on the Merrick County Extension Board. In 1980, Roy received the Central City Area Outstanding Farmer Award and in 1998, Roy was the recipient of the Grassroots Award from the Merrick County Farm Bureau – where he also served as President for 4 years

During their retirement, Roy and Trudy enjoyed several years wintering in Texas where they helped build houses in Mexico. In 2009, they became residents at Cottonwood Estates in Central City for health reasons. In 2016, Roy had to go to Litzenberg Long Term Care which was a very hard decision after 68 years of marriage.

Survivors include his wife- Trudy of Central City, NE; two daughters – Paula and Doug Jacobs of Topeka, KS; and Julie and Vance Hardisty of Lafayette, CA; one son- John and Millie Creutzberg of Central City, NE; five grandchildren, 1 step grandchild, 7 great grandchildren and one step great grandchild.

Roy was preceded in death by his parents, step mother- Janna; one infant brother, one sister- Helen Garton, and one half sister- Clara Erickson

# Cemetery Details

## Central City Cemetery

Central City, NE 68826

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 25.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Solt-Wagner Funeral Home  
1507 17th St.  
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## Funeral Service

**JUN 26.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Dear Paula,

*Our condolences to the death of your father! I only learned it when I yesterday searched on the internet the whereabouts of our American family. Perhaps you sent an obituary to my brother Akke, but he passed away January 2015, while his wife Lydia died already in 2013, so their address doesn't exist anymore.*

*Can you please send me an email how you and your family are doing? My email account is: elisa@euronet.nl*

*Thanks very much, love from the Netherlands,*

*Lisa and Sylvia van de Bunt*

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**Lisa van de Bunt** - July 09, 2018 at 06:28 AM

SK

“ Hi Paula. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Cherish the memories.

*Bruce and Sharon Kleint (Glause).*

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**Sharon Kleint** - July 14, 2017 at 09:32 AM

CJ

“ Paula, so sorry to hear about your dad. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Carol and Jerry Urbanski*

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**Carol and Jerry** - June 24, 2017 at 08:36 AM