

**M**artin Aronson, age 86, of Albert City, Iowa died February 14, 2011 at the Pleasant View Home in Albert City.

Martin R. Aronson, the son of Andrew and Elsa (Blomberg) Aronson, was born on the family farm near Albert City, Iowa on June 13, 1924. Martin lived his youth in the Albert City vicinity and was a graduate of the Albert City High School. He faithfully served his country in the United States Army.

On March 4, 1951, Martin was united in marriage to Darlene (Cleveland) Stroup and this couple was blessed with six children: Dick, Alan, Tom, Julie, Larry, and Sandy. From 1954 until 2006, Martin and Darlene were engaged in farming and raising livestock on their farm southeast of Albert City. In addition to farming, Martin also drove a school bus for 14 years. Martin's garden was a passion of his life and he enjoyed canning the produce from his garden. He was also a gifted cabinet maker and did beautiful woodwork and the people of the Albert City community benefited from his craftsman skills. He spent countless hours working in his shop and with his woodmizer sawing logs into lumber. Martin will be remembered as a practical jokester and his witty sense of humor. He always enjoyed a good water fight and he kept things exciting by igniting firecrackers and being amused by people's reactions. One of Martin's favorite pastimes was playing cards, especially with his neighborhood 500 card club. Martin was very proud of his Swedish heritage and loved helping serve the Christmas Eve Dopp i grytan and Swedish dinner. His family will always remember their dad as a very thrifty and frugal man with a quick firm handshake and a twinkle in his eye.

Martin was a member of the Our Savior's Lutheran Church of Albert City where he served on the Church Council, sang in the choir, and when they were younger, he and Darlene were members of the

Fellowship League. When Albert City celebrated their centennial, Martin won the "Longest Beard" contest.

Martin's memory will always be celebrated and honored by his children: Dick and Sandy Aronson; Alan and Lori Aronson; Tom and Joni Aronson; Julie and Gary Hogrefe; Larry and Connie Aronson; and Sandy and Jeff Westcott, all of Albert City, Iowa; grandchildren: Diane (Andrew) Twinamatsiko; Mike (Angela) Aronson; Andrea (Bill) Hoeft; Amanda (Elliot)

Nielsen; Clayton (Megan) Aronson; Joe (Jessica) Aronson; Sara (Ben) Eldridge; Tony (Ashley) Hogrefe; Tim (Chelsea) Hogrefe; Patricia Hogrefe and fiancé, Mark Thompson; Andy (Lindsey) Aronson; Brian (Tiffany) Aronson; Kyle Aronson; Bradley Aronson; Elizabeth Garberding; Caleb Garberding; Michael Garberding; Tara (Adam) Northrop; Trista (Troy) Curnyn; and Jon Westcott; great grandchildren: Johnathan Hoeft; Alex and Hope Aronson; Delaney, Avery, and Owen Nielsen; Camdyn and Brant Aronson; Kailyn and Kash Northrop; Bryant Garberding; Carter and Briley Dornath; Isabel Aronson; and Nora Garberding; two brothers: Oliver Aronson and Melvin (Mavis) Aronson both of Albert City; two sisters: Lillian Schultz of Laurens, Iowa; and Olivia Cole of Harbor, Washington; sisters-in-law: Bernell Aronson of Portland, Oregon; Betty Aronson of Seattle, Washington; other extended family and many friends.

Martin was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Darlene on March 3, 2010; two sisters: Viola (Fred) Meyer and Sylvia (Harry) Schultz; and two brothers: Conrad and Robert Aronson; brothers-in-law: Fred Cole and Roy Schultz; sister-in-law, Mary Aronson.

**Blessed be the memory of Martin R. Aronson.**

## **In Loving Memory**



**Martin Richard LeRoy Aronson**

**1924 — 2011**

## Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

He leadeth me beside still waters. He restoreth my soul;

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff,  
they comfort me; Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil,

my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



*W*e wish to express our gratitude for the kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship and sharing at the church immediately following the burial.

*— The Aronson Family*

## IN MEMORY OF Martin R. Aronson

*June 13, 1924 — February 14, 2011*

### FUNERAL SERVICE

*Saturday, February 19, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.*

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church — Albert City, Iowa*

### CLERGY

*Reverend A. Pete Petersen*

### ORGANIST

*Sonia Brown*

### SOLOISTS

*Michael Aronson*

*"On Eagle's Wings"*

*Sam Aronson*

*"I Won't Have To Cross Jordan Alone"*

### CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

*"How Great Thou Art"*

*"Children of the Heavenly Father"*

*"Blessed Assurance"*

### SPECIAL RECORDED MUSIC

*Martin and his brothers Oliver, Robert, Connie, and Melvin*

*"I Want My Life To Tell For Jesus"*

### HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

*Tony Hogrefe, Mike Aronson, Andy Aronson, Joe Aronson*

*Clayton Aronson, Andrew Twinamatsiko, Caleb Garberding*

*The Staff of the Pleasant View Home in Albert City*

### CASKET BEARERS

*Brian Aronson, Kyle Aronson, Bradley Aronson*

*Jon Westcott, Tim Hogrefe, Michael Garberding*

### INTERMENT

*Fairfield Township Cemetery — Albert City, Iowa*

*Arrangements by*

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