

## Robert Ohlund, 74

*Dec. 22, 1928 - Sept. 7, 2003*

**STORM LAKE** – Robert "Bob" Ohlund was born in Stanton, NE, Dec. 22, 1928, to Gustaf and Ida (Norling) Ohlund. He attended grade school and high school in Stanton, then graduated from Scottsbluff Junior College in 1949. He served his country for four years in the military as a torpedo man's mate second class in the Navy on the USS Bashaw during the Korean Conflict. During this service he received the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal and the United Nations Service Medal. After his discharge from the Navy, Bob attended Wayne State Teacher's College on the G.I. Bill and graduated with a B.A. in education in 1956.

While at Wayne State, he met Betty Bunger and they were married in Wayne, May 27, 1956. To this union three children were born. Bob taught a variety of subjects at the high school and junior high levels, and also coached football, basketball and track at Bloomfield and Tekamah, NE. While teaching at Tekamah, he attended evening classes at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, graduating in 1971 with a Master's degree in educational administration. During summers, he worked for Farmers Mutual Insurance Company as a crop adjuster and joined Farmers Mutual full time in 1973 as a Northwest Iowa territorial supervisor. After retirement, he volunteered for Meals on Wheels, as well as at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center coffee shop. He died Sept. 7, 2003, in the Nebraska Veterans Home in Norfolk, NE, at age 74.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Norman, Clifford and Dr. Arley Ohlund; and his sisters, Betty Dobb, Joy Ohlund and Norleen Ohlund. He is survived by his wife, Betty of Storm Lake; his children, Tamara S. Schwartz (Dave) of Harlan; Gregory G. Ohlund (Lori) of Denison; and Dr. Barbara Ohlund (Joe) Monahan of Lincoln, NE; his grandchildren, Bryan, Todd, Derek and Taylor Schwartz; Grant Ohlund; and Dominic Monahan; his siblings, Stan Ohlund of Scottsbluff, NE; Alex Ohlund of Torrance, CA; and Blanche Sutherland of Stanton, NE; several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 10, 2003, at the United Methodist Church in Storm Lake, with Rev. Dr. Beverlee Bell officiating. Burial was in the Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery with full military rites by Am Vets Post #66. Honorary casket bearers were Mel Samuelson, Dale Wetzal, Pete Nieuwkoop, Bob Thompson, Norm DenHartog and Bob Borgman. Casket bearers were David Schwartz, Bryan Schwartz, Joe Monahan, Edward Pacheco, Todd Schwartz and Charles Bunger.