

Carrol Walter Hopkins, 89, of Burwell, Nebraska died June 3, 2016 at the Community Memorial Health Center in Burwell.

Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, June 10, 2016, at the United Methodist Church in Burwell. Burial will be in the Ord City Cemetery in Ord, Nebraska with military rites by the Burwell Color Guard. Pastor Dennis Davenport will officiate. Visitation will be Thursday from 5 – 7 p.m. at Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell. Memorials are suggested to the United Methodist Church or the Burwell Color Guard.

Carrol was born on July 30, 1926 at Burwell to Charles and Mable (Whitesell) Hopkins. He attended school east of Burwell and in Elyria. He helped farm and ranch with his folks until 1948. In September of 1948 he enlisted in the United States Air Force serving four years during the Korean Conflict. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Staff Sargent.

Carrol married Mary Lois Shankle and returned to Garfield County to farm and ranch. Carrol loved good cattle dogs, saddle horses, rodeo and liked changing work with his good neighbors. After the death of his wife in 1961 Carrol married Dorothy Zwiener Hejsek in 1963. They kept ranching until the fall of 1988 when they moved into Burwell.

Carrol served on the 4M School Board, was a 4-H leader, served on the ASCA Committee, different church committees, and the Senior Center board for nineteen years. He was a member of the Burwell Lions and a life member of the Burwell Legion Post 298.

Carrol is survived by five children and families, Patricia and Melvin Moore of Lincoln, Nebraska, Kenneth and Kathie Hopkins of Ft. Collins, Colorado, Richard and Jolene Hejsek of Seattle, Washington, Darrel and Sarah Hopkins of Lincoln, Nebraska and Diane Hopkins of Bismarck, North Dakota. Seven grandchildren, Erica Moore, Katrina and Andrew Landry, Sara and Ian Black, Kirk and Tiffany Vanosdall, Alexandra, Nathaniel and Hannah Hopkins. Eight great-grandchildren, Briley, Jordan, Kaylea, Jeslyn and Jahnye Moore and Ainsley, Sully and Kadence Vanosdall and a host of nieces and nephews.

Carrol was preceded in death by his parents, two wives, four brothers, a sister, son Keith and several nieces and nephews.