

Thomas Everett Johns, 84, of Burwell, Nebraska died September 29, 2022 at the Community Memorial Health Center in Burwell.

Tom's wishes were to be cremated. The family will have a graveside memorial service at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at Cottonwood Cemetery in Burwell. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Burwell Veterans Park. Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell is assisting the family.

Tom was born December 26, 1937 to Everett and Hazel (Mason) Johns.

Tom attended Burwell High School. He entered the United States Air Force in 1957 and completed his education. He was a specialist in hydraulic mechanics. He met and married Maxine while stationed at Rantoul AFB in Illinois. Tom returned to Burwell in 1983. Maxine died in 1985.

Tom worked for the Irrigation District, where he was the dam tender at the Burwell Park. He also ran a dozer during the building of the Calamus dam. He married Elinor in 1986 and she died in 1999 and then Tom retired. Tom then married Priscilla in 2000 and she died in 2016.

Tom enjoyed fishing, hunting, having coffee, and gardening and showing his vegetables at the fair.

Tom is survived by his three children, Cindie and Ken Strater of Kansas, Illinois, Toni Sutter of Tilton, Illinois and Tom and Leora Johns II of Grand Island, Nebraska. Seven grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren and a sister, LuEllen Loeffler of Burwell, Nebraska.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, and his wives.