

Arthur Thomas Brodersen

Born

October 8, 1934 ~ Florence, Missouri

Entered Into Eternal Rest

January 17, 2023 ~ Shenandoah, Iowa

Age

88 years ~ 3 months ~ 9 days

Funeral Service

Saturday ~ January 21, 2023 ~ 11:00 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church ~ Shenandoah, Iowa

Officiating

Reverend Rick Sleyster

Music

Terry Stafford ~ Pianist

Dean Adkins ~ Vocalist

“On Eagles Wings”

“Eternal Father” (Congregational Hymn)

“Irish Prayer” (Susie Schaaf)

Casket Bearers

Nick Brodersen Sela Brodersen

Sam Brodersen Phillip Brodersen

Honorary Bearers

Dennis Gates Duane Rexroth Ray Graves

Dale Sandquist Dave Whipp Terry Miller

Marlin Green Howard Killion

Ushers

CE Hornbuckle Phil Gibson

Registry Book

Roger and Connie Davis

Final Resting Place

Rose Hill Cemetery ~ Shenandoah, Iowa

Flag Presentation

US Military Honor Guard

Camp Dodge, Iowa

Memorials

First United Presbyterian Church

Food and Fellowship

Following the Funeral Service

Everyone is invited to the Church basement

For food and fellowship with the family

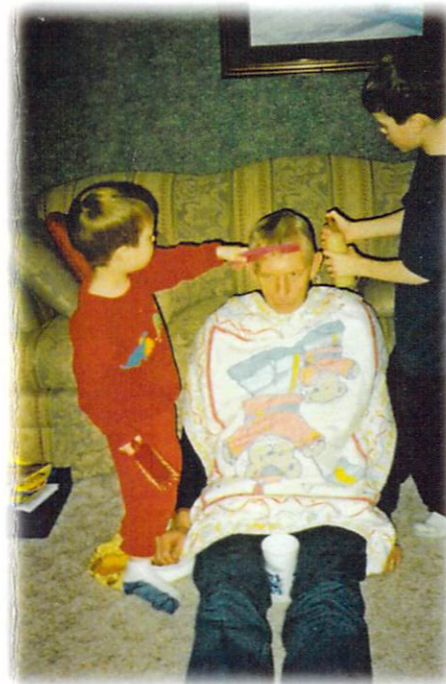
To Dad With Love

*Thank you Dad for all the times, you were there to care.
The special moments in my life,
when you were there to share.*

*You'll never know how much it meant,
to have you there, you see,
encouraged by your silent smile,
I knew you cared for me.*

*And from your fine examples,
you taught me right from wrong,
I learned from you that sharing love,
will also make us strong.*

*Thank you Dad, for all that you,
have sacrificed for me.
And thank you, Lord, for making Dad
the best that he could be.*



In Loving Memory



Arthur “Tom” Brodersen
October 8, 1934 ~ January 17, 2023



Arthur Thomas "Tom" Brodersen, son of Arthur August and Maude Elizabeth (Thomas) Brodersen, was born on October 8, 1934, in Florence, Missouri. He was called home on Tuesday morning, January 17, 2023, at the Shenandoah Medical Center at the age of 88 years, 3 months, 9 days.

Tom grew up on a farm in central Missouri with one brother and three sisters. After graduating from Otterville High School in 1952, he worked various jobs - truck driver,

bookmobile driver and carpenter - until a cousin from Shenandoah, Iowa, offered him an apprenticeship in his barbershop if Tom would attend barber college in Des Moines. In 1957, Tom moved to Shenandoah to barber, but he was drafted into the United States Army. He served two years, with majority of his time spent in Germany.

In 1960, Tom married Doris Savage. They have two sons: Steve and his wife, Dawn, live in Lexington, Kentucky, and Bob and his wife, Beth, live in



Adel, Iowa. Tom and Doris have three grandsons, Nick (Eva), Sam, and Phillip

Brodersen, and granddaughter, Sela Brodersen.

In earlier years, Tom was a Jaycees Club member and later, the Rotary Club and Elks. While his boys were growing up he supported them by participating in Boy Scout high adventure trips to Colorado and the boundary waters of Minnesota and many other camping and fundraising events. He enjoyed camping with his family at Lake of Three Fires, Viking Lake and other areas.



In 1968, Tom purchased the barber/beauty shop from Dennis Boldra. The shop was a gathering place for many with lots of stories, banter and commentary of the day. Many stopped by just to contribute and share a cup of coffee.

After 53 years of service to the public, he retired from barbering in 2010. He and his wife, Doris, were honored as Grand Marshals of the Fall ShenFest Parade that same year. After retirement, Tom continued to be active. He contributed his time and talents to the Shenandoah Historical Museum, loved driving the old fire truck in parades and was a part-time employee of Nishna Valley Funeral and Cremation Service.



Tom enjoyed doing his own home projects and was quite the carpenter and handyman. He followed school sports, played a boring game of golf (by hitting consistently straight), and was active in the Presbyterian Church.

Preceding Tom in death were his parents; two sisters, Becky Ann Brodersen and Linda Fry; and his brother, Duane. In addition to his wife and children, he is survived by his sister, Goldie (Chuck); sister-in-law, (Cynthia); several nieces and nephews; other relatives; and many friends.



Peace Prayer of St. Francis
Lord, *make me an instrument of your Peace.*
Where there is hatred, let me sow Love;
Where there is injury, Pardon;
Where there is doubt, Faith;
Where there is despair, Hope;
Where there is darkness, Light;
Where there is sadness, Joy;
O Divine Master, grant that I may not
so much seek to be consoled as to Console;
to be understood as to Understand;
to be loved as to Love.
For it is in Giving that we receive;
in Pardoning that we are pardoned;
and in Dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

- St. Francis of Assisi

Dearest Tom,
 It is with great sadness and fondness that we say goodbye to you. We will never forget the "Celebrity" that you brought to our workplace. You impacted more people than you will ever know by barbering for 50 years in Shenandoah. You were always the calm in the storm, the steady hand everyone needed. You had such an easygoing demeanor and helped bring comfort to many (including your co-workers). Always dressed to impress, and one of the first to arrive for work, you were an iconic figure that always stood out in the crowd. We know the last couple years were not what you wished for. We take solace in the fact you are now complete and whole again.

Matthew 25:21

His Lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over the many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Well done indeed! We thank you for your friendship and contributions through the years. Now go and reap your rewards. Godspeed Friend,

Your Nishna Valley Funeral and Cremation Service Family