

Arthur David Novak was born on May 26, 1928, to Rose (Rudnick) and Vincent Novak in Odessa, MN, one of ten children. As a child, Art lived on a farm near Winsted, MN, and later lived in Kingston, MN, and Odessa, MN.



He married Arlene Klapel on June 4, 1955. They were blessed with two sons: James Gerald, born in 1958, and Darold Duane, born in 1960. The family lived in Coon Rapids until 1968, when they moved to Appleton for a short time and then to Ortonville.

Art worked as a lineman for the railroad for many years, traveling during the week and returning home on weekends. After he was injured, he began working for a local farmer and continued that work for many years.

Art was a longtime member of Trinity Lutheran Church. Fishing and golfing were some of Art's favorite pastimes. He was especially proud of the 17.5 lb. northern pike he caught and had mounted. In his younger years, Art was quite the pool player and spent time at the local pool hall. Art also enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, whist, and watching the Minnesota Twins. For many years, he drove to Colorado at least once a year to visit his kids and grandkids.

Art is survived by his sons: James (Sandy) Novak of Centennial, CO; and Darold Novak of Westminster, CO; grandchildren: Leah (Kellen) Montera of Lone Tree, CO; and Ryan (Lauren) Novak of Aurora, CO; four great-grandchildren: Grayson and Cole Montera, and Sawyer and Christian Novak; sister, Florence (Odell) Olson; and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Arlene; his parents: Vince and Rose Novak; brothers: Clemence, Clyde, George, and Paul Novak; and sisters: Francis Christensen Janssen, Jennie Klima, Grace Hegstrom, and Josephine Novak.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Arthur "Art" Novak

WHO WAS BORN

May 26, 1928
Winsted, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

November 5, 2025
Ortonville, Minnesota

VISITATION SERVICE

Tuesday, November 11, 2025
3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
Mundwiler & Larson Funeral Home
Ortonville, Minnesota

CLERGY

Pr. Tim Rynearson

INURNMENT

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 - 8:30 a.m.
Trinity Lutheran Cemetery
Odessa, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Art's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the visitation please join the family for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

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I Have a Place in Heaven

Please don't sing sad songs for me,
forget your grief and fears,
for I am in a perfect place,
away from pain and tears.

I'm far away from hunger
and hurt and want and pride.

I have a place in Heaven,
with the Master at my side.

My life on earth was very good,
as earthly lives can go,
but Paradise is so much more
than anyone can know.

My heart is filled with happiness
and sweet rejoicing, too.
to walk with God is perfect peace,
a joy forever new.

