VOGEL, LUTHER E.; March 25, 1929, Clarinda, Iowa, to April 1, 2012, Lee's Summit, Mo.; son of Rev. Theodore and Elizabeth (Eyl) Vogel; graduated Springfield, 1953. Served 1953-1997. Ministries/Parishes: Hardin, St. Xavier, Mont.; Newton, Kansas City, Kan.; Lee's Summit, Independence, Mo. Retired 1997. Preceded in death by his wife, Lois (Streufert) Vogel, and son, Jonathan. Survivors: Viola (Houtman) Vogel; sons: Paul, James; daughter: Ruth Gerken. Funeral: April 5, 2012, Lee's Summit, Mo.

Rev. Luther Vogel Obituary

Date of Birth:

Monday, March 25th, 1929

Date of Death:

Sunday, April 1st, 2012

Funeral Home:

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Obituary:

Rev. Luther Vogel, 83, of Lee's Summit, MO, entered eternal life on April 1, 2012. Funeral services will be held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 700 NE Chipman Rd, Lee's Summit, MO on Thursday, April 5 at 2:00pm. Visitation will be held prior to the service, beginning at 12:30.

Luther was born in Clarinda, Iowa to Rev. Theodore and Elisabeth Vogel. He attended St. Paul's high school and College in Concordia, MO. Following graduation from Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Illinois, he received his first call and was ordained into the pastoral ministry of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in 1953.

He served congregations in Hardin and St. Xavier, Montana; Newton, Kansas; Immanuel and Grace Lutheran, Kansas City, Kansas; and Beautiful Savior, Lee's Summit, MO. He also served as Vacancy Pastor at Ascension Lutheran and The Church of Our Redeemer Lutheran in Kansas City.

After retiring from parish ministry in 1990, Rev. Vogel served as a hospital chaplain at the Medical Center of Independence, MO until 1997.

One of Rev. Vogel's passions was leading and organizing tours to the Holy Land, Jordan, Turkey, Greece and Germany. The Knowledge gained over the years through these trips allowed him to continue to serve his Lord in retirement. Through the John Knox Chaplain's office, Rev. Vogel showed inspirational videos and DVDs based on scripture and beloved hymns to many of the residents.

Rev. Vogel is survived by his wife, Viola, three children, Paul (Martha), James of Billings, MT and Ruth (Mark) Gerken of Adel, IA and daughter-in-law, Susan Longmire, Shawano, WI. He is also survived by twelve grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Jonathan, granddaughter, Antoinette, his first wife, Lois, his brother, Rev. Theodore Vogel, and sisters, Wilma Reinke and Thekla Panning.

The family thanks the Community Hospice team and the staff at John Knox Village House for their loving care given to Luther during this difficult time.

Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Lutheran Hour Ministries of St. Louis, MO, of John Knox Village Hospice.

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