



Ivan D. Lycke

June 23, 1937 - June 1, 2020

Ivan Lycke, 82, of Alden, passed away Monday, June 1, 2020 at MercyOne Medical Center in Des Moines. The family will have a celebration of life gathering. He will be laid to rest at the Alden Cemetery at a later time. Woodley Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Iowa Falls is caring for Ivan and his family.

Ivan Dean Lycke was born June 23, 1937, son of Kenneth and Gladys May (Witten) Lycke in Clarion, Iowa. He graduated from Rowan High School and honorably served with the United States Army Military Police from 1954-1957. On November 28, 1958 Ivan was united in marriage to Elsie Bobst at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. In 1966 Ivan began his career in sales at Lindsay Soft Water. He earned the National Top Salesman Award in 1968. Ivan sold more softeners than any other salesman within the Lindsay Soft Water Corporation in the U.S. He was honored in a magazine ad for Lindsay Soft Water in the February issue of Good Housekeeping. He also won a trip to the Bahamas. He was inducted into the Salesmanship Hall of Fame in 1978. Ivan retired after thirty plus years with Lindsay Soft Water. He was a member of the Iowa Bow Hunters Association, Scenic City Bass Casters Association, River Valley Bow Hunters Association and past member of the Boone River Coon Hunters Association. He enjoyed the outdoors and everything it had to offer.

Ivan Dean Lycke is survived by his wife, Elsie Lycke of Alden, Iowa; children, Kevin Lycke of Buckeye, Iowa, Karl Lycke of Wellsburg, Iowa and Kaylene Lycke of Alden, Iowa; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Deloris Taylor.