



## Obituary

**Born:** Tuesday, January 2, 1934

**Died:** Wednesday, July 1, 2020

Woodland Hills Funeral Home  
507-387-5504

Floyd L. Backstrom, age 86 of North Mankato, passed away on Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at Mayo Clinic Health Systems-Mankato.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 1:00 P.M. at Woodland Hills Chapel in Mankato with Pastor Kristian Bjornstad and Pastor Gregory Coop officiating, with military honors immediately following the service in front of Woodland Hills Chapel. Interment will be in Woodland Hills Memorial Park in Mankato.

Visitation will be on Wednesday morning from 11A.M. until the hour of services at Woodland Hills Chapel. With the current Covid-19 restrictions we ask that everyone attending the visitation and service please wear a mask and practice social distancing. Woodland Hills Funeral Home of Mankato handling arrangements.

Floyd Lewis was born on January 2, 1934 to Clarence G. and Laura M. (Will) Backstrom in Fairmont, Minnesota. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Floyd graduated from Fairmont High School in 1952. On January 20, 1953 he entered the United States Marine Corps and served his country during the Korean Conflict and was honorably discharged on January 19, 1956. In 1956 he was united in marriage to his high school classmate and sweetheart Judith A. Gudal in Fairmont. For 40 years Floyd was a fleet manager of trucks for the Madsens-Randalls grocery stores, and also was a pilot for their corporate aircraft for several years. He was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church since 1961 in North Mankato serving there as an Elder for 14 years and a Trustee for 12 years, EAA, North Mankato American Legion Post #518, Life Member of the VFW Morson-Ario-Strand Post #950, NRA, Marine Corps League, and a 42 year member of the Mankato Airport Commission. In retirement he worked at the Mankato Airport for 15 + years then for Holtmeier Construction four years. He enjoyed motorcycle touring for 30 + years, machine shop work (making nail crosses), target shooting, and sports flying (aerobatics).

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Judy of North Mankato; four children, Kim (Nick) Miller of Mankato, Jay of Mankato, Brent (Shelly) of Lakeville, and Jan (Jennie) of Turlock, CA; six grandchildren; two great grandsons; two sisters; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother.

## Service Summary

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### Visitation

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Wed Jul 08, 2020

### Woodland Hills Funeral Chapel

1605 Woodland Ave.  
Mankato, Minnesota 56001

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### Funeral Service

1:00 PM Wed Jul 08, 2020

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