

llen Charles Polly was born on October 7, 1927, on his grandparent's farm in Dakota County, NE, the son of Charles and Lillian (Curry) Polly. As a young child his family moved to Yankton, SD. Allen received his education in Yankton and graduated from Yankton High School in 1945. He worked at Nelson's Delivery and Nelly's Service Station. Allen began his career with Inter City Bus Company in 1946 as a charter bus driver. In his earlier years with the company, Allen was based in Yankton, Rapid City and Kimball, SD before moving to Platte, SD. Allen was united in marriage to Joyce Veldheer on December 29, 1954 at the Christian Reformed Church in Platte. Allen and Joyce were blessed with three children, Robert "Bob", Pegge and Linda. Allen's career as a bus driver spanned nearly 44 years, when he retired in 1990. He held many fond memories of the many miles he put on during his career and the people he met along the way. He also worked as a janitor for the Platte schools from 1976 until 1990. In his retirement,



Allen continued life on the road as he spent a number of years working for his brother-in-law, at Jack's Campers, making trips to Indiana, picking up campers, parts and toppers. He, along with Joyce spent nearly 9 years working for Harold Steele and his brother-in-law, Jim Veldheer caring for

their properties in the Platte area.

Allen enjoyed many hobbies in his retirement as well. He golfed, bowled, hunted and could often be found in the summer at the river, fishing for walleye, with many of his dear friends. Allen had a passion for flying, and proudly earned his pilot's license in 1979. He was also an excellent craftsman, spending many hours in his shop making many shelves and valances for his family and his own home. He spent many mornings and afternoons enjoying coffee breaks with his friends. He and Joyce always made time to travel. They enjoyed many chartered bus trips, as well as traveling to California to visit their daughter,

and Florida and Michigan to visit relatives. More than anything, Allen loved his family dearly, and cherished the time he had to spend with them.

Allen was a member of First Reformed Church in Platte, where he served on the church's consistory. He also served on the Platte City Council and the Hospital Board of Directors. Allen truly was a servant of God. He gave countless hours of his time giving to his community and church. A gentle and loving person, he will be remembered for his caring and giving heart.

Allen passed away on Monday, January 29, 2018, at the Platte Health Center Avera at the age of 90 years, 3 months and 22 days.

Grateful for having shared his life, is his wife of 63 years, Joyce Polly, of Platte, SD, three children, Bob (Betty) Polly, of Mitchell, SD, Pegge (Basil) Jennette, of Citrus Heights, CA and Linda (Paul) Hentges, of Humboldt, SD; five grandchildren, Nic (Angela), Rachel (Drew), Luke (Lisa), Mitch, and Ben (fiancé, Ashley); three great grandchildren, Luke, Elijah and Kainoa; four step great grandchildren, Dylan, McKenna, Jayda and Issak and a host of in-laws, nieces, nephews and relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters and their husbands, Elaine (Ronald) Engel and Dorothy (Eugene) Johnson.

Believers Who Have Died

13 Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. 14 For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. 15 According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

In Loving Memory Of Allen Charles Polly

Prayer Service

7:00 pm Friday, February 2, 2018 First Reformed Church Platte, South Dakota

Funeral Service

11:00 am Saturday, February 3, 2018
First Reformed Church
Platte, South Dakota
Pastor Mike De Jager, Officiating
Kay Hubers, Organist
Duane Strand, Music Leader

Congregational Hymns
"I Need Thee Every Hour" - "Because He Lives"

Special Music

"One Day at a Time" - Shirley Vanderheiden "Through It All" - Dana Kimball

Interment

Platte City Cemetery Platte, South Dakota



Pallbearers

Tim Engel - Steve Engel - Doug Engel - Tom Engel Brice Johnson - Wade Johnson - Doug Veldheer - John Veldheer

Honorary Pallbearers

Nic Polly - Angela Polly - Rachel Vizcarra - Drew Vizcarra Luke Jennette - Lisa Jennette - Mitch Polly Ben Jennette - Ashley Blagdon

Allen's family would like to thank you for your support and presence today and invite you to join them for lunch and fellowship following the funeral service in the First Reformed Church Fellowship Hall.