

Robert William (Bob) Brown, 73, was called to his heavenly home on March 15, 2024 at the Rose Blumkin Jewish Home surrounded by the love of his family. He was born on April 7, 1950 to Neil and Arlene (O'Connell) Brown in Alliance, Nebraska.

Bob graduated from Alliance High School in 1968. He received his Bachelor of Science in Education Degree from Chadron State College in 1972, his Master of Science in Education Degree from CSC in 1976 and his Specialist in Educational Administration and Supervision Degree from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln in 1983.

Bob married Cheri Reed on December 27, 1971 in Alliance, Nebraska. Five children and five grandchildren were born to this union. They are his greatest pride and joy.

Bob was an educator. He taught social studies, was a guidance counselor before becoming a principal and then a superintendent of schools. He started his career in Albion and Genoa, Nebraska before moving to Broken Bow as high school principal in 1984. He was superintendent of schools in Ansley, Sargent and Arnold. He retired in 2010 and he and Cheri moved to Omaha.

Bob enjoyed sports of all kinds. Golf, hunting, fishing, reading and traveling were some of his passions. Time spent with family and friends was his greatest pleasure. He was proud to cheer for his children and grandchildren in all their endeavors. He enjoyed taking the family to Miami for the 1995 Orange Bowl, going to the Master's Golf Tournament in Augusta, Georgia, being in Dublin on St. Patrick's Day and in Munich for Oktoberfest, and attending the 50th Super Bowl to cheer the Denver Broncos to the Championship.

Bob was a member of St. Andrews United Methodist Church and the Nebraska Council of School Administrators. He was a board member for the Nebraska One Box Pheasant Hunt and also served on the Foundation Board of Directors for the hunt.

Bob will always be remembered for his generous and loving spirit.

Bob is survived by his wife of 52 years, daughters Kerri Mason of Denver, CO, Kristi (Kevin) Ahlers of Yutan, NE, son Mark (Amy) of Columbus, NE, grandchildren Jack, Maddie and Rhys Mason, Bryce and Ryker Brown, brother Dick (Gwen) Brown Grand Island, NE, sisters-in-law Karen Brown, Alliance and Kim Dankers, Pleasant Dale, NE, brother-in-law Scott (Sonja) Reed of Columbus, Ohio and many nieces and nephews and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and parents-in-law, Keith and Margie Reed, two infant children Elizabeth and David, his brother Don and brother-in-law Harlan Dankers.

Memorial services will be held at the United Methodist Church in Alliance on Friday, March 22 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Greg Reed officiating. Burial will be in the Alliance Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be at [Bates-Gould Funeral Home](#) Thursday March 21 from 4-6 p.m. Memorials may be given to the Custer County Foundation in Broken Bow, NE.