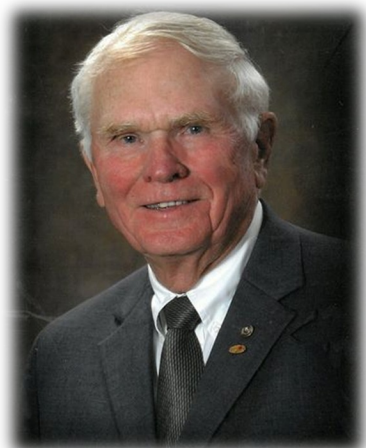




The LORD is my *Shepherd;*
I shall not want.

He maketh me to
lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters,

He restoreth my
soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.

I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over

Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Arlen Edward LaCombe

WHO WAS BORN

January 24, 1930

Big Stone City, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

July 30, 2026

Ortonville, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 - 11:00 a.m.

First English Lutheran Church
Ortonville, Minnesota

OFFICIATING

Rev. Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

MUSICIANS

Lisa Berdan, Organist

First English Choir

CASKET BEARERS AND MILITARY HONORS

VFW Big Stone Lake Post #3964

INURNMENT

At A Later Date

Mound Cemetery
Ortonville, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Red's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.

Following the funeral service, please join the family
for a luncheon in the church dining area.

Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home
Ortonville, Minnesota

*A*rlen Edward LaCombe was born on January 24, 1930, at the family farm home near Big Stone City, SD. He was the son of Walter and Olive (Jacobs) LaCombe and affectionately nicknamed, "Red". He attended country school until his family moved to a farm near Ortonville, MN, then attended Ortonville High School, graduating with the Class of 1948.

Red farmed with his father. He was united in marriage with Ardell Bernette Agre on November 8, 1953, in Montevideo, MN. They were blessed with three children: Lori, Rebecca, and Bruce.

Red joined the Ortonville National Guard Unit in 1947; in 1951, he was initiated to active duty at Camp Rucker, AL. He attended the Army OCS Course at Fort Sill, OK. Upon his graduation, he was deployed to Korea, where he served until the Korean Armistice. He returned to Ortonville following his honorable discharge on September 22, 1953. Red was awarded the Korean Service Medal with Three Bronze Service Stars, the United Nations Service Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal. Red resumed farming with his father and engaged in the hog-buying business. His military service continued as he was active with the National Guard/Reserve programs. He attended Artillery Career School at Fort Sill and Command/General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. He served until he retired after 29 years as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Red was a life member of the VFW and a member of the American Legion. He served on the Upper Minnesota River Watershed Board. He was a faithful and active member of First English Lutheran Church, serving on several church boards, including President of the Congregation. Red also sang in the church choir for 50 years. He served four terms as a Big Stone County Commissioner. He and Ardell enjoyed traveling and had the privilege to attend a Scandinavia Tour. Red also enjoyed playing golf with Ardell and friends. He loved to read and enjoyed a game of cards while visiting with his friends.

Red LaCombe is survived by his wife, Ardell, of Ortonville, MN; three children: Lori LaCombe of Fargo, ND; Becky LaCombe of Denver, CO; and Bruce (Colleen) LaCombe of Lakeville, MN.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Walter and Olive LaCombe; and his sister, Ora Mae George.

Please use the QR code to view Red's
online guestbook, slide show, and
obituary.

