



For I am Persuaded

*For I am persuaded
that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities,
nor powers, nor things present,
nor things to come, nor height,
nor depth, nor any other creature,
shall be able to separate us
from the love of God,
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

—Romans 8:38-39

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Eugene Francis Patnoe

WHO WAS BORN

October 12, 1936
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

December 7, 2024
Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, December 16, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.
American Lutheran Church
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANTS

Pastor Melanie Reiners
Pastor Justin Neugebauer

MUSICIAN

Sheila Dailie, Organist

CASKET BEARERS

Mike Boerger | Doug Boerger | Jay Odland
Danny Ullman | Mark Roggenbuck | Dave Pauli

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Eugene's Beloved Grandchildren
Milbank Hospital and Avantara Staff
St. William's Care Center Staff

INTERMENT

Milbank City Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Eugene's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.
Following the graveside service, please join the family for
a time of food and fellowship in the church dining room.

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

Eugene Francis Patnoe was born in Milbank, SD, on October 12, 1936, to Donald and Evelyn (Schulz) Patnoe. He lived his life dedicated to his family, his community, his church and his work. Eugene grew up in Milbank, graduating from Milbank High School with the Class of 1954. He continued his education at Nettleton Business College in Sioux Falls, SD.

On September 5, 1956, Eugene married his high school sweetheart, Donna Boerger, at the American Lutheran Church in Milbank. Together, they were blessed with three children. Eugene and Donna enjoyed hosting the family at their lake house for holidays and annual summer gatherings. Pontoon rides, with Eugene as Captain, were always the highlight of every summer.

Eugene began his work life with the State of South Dakota from 1956 to 1958. He then joined Hunter Granite, advancing from an accountant to leading the company as President. With the buyout of Hunter Granite by Coldspring Granite, Eugene and Donna moved to Cold Spring, MN, in 1985. Eugene completed 43 years of service in the granite business retiring in 2002. Known affectionately as the "Rock Man," Eugene's expertise in the granite industry was widely acknowledged.

A man of faith and service, Eugene was a past president of the American Lutheran Church in Milbank. He enjoyed the great outdoors, especially hunting and fishing with family and friends. In April of 2024, Eugene returned to Milbank, where he found comfort in familiar surroundings.

Eugene is survived by his wife, Donna Patnoe of Milbank, SD; children: Randy (Robin) Patnoe of Milbank, SD; Jim (Jodi) Patnoe of Genoa City, WI; and Karalee Van Stralen of Cornelius, NC; six grandchildren: Heidi Van Stralen of Charlotte, NC; Hailey Van Stralen of Charlotte, NC; Rachel (Evan) Larson of Harrisburg, SD; Ryan (Whitney) Patnoe of Aberdeen, SD; Lauren (Sam) Whelan of Chicago, IL; and Allison (Danny) Ullman of Chicago, IL; four great-grandchildren; sister, Diane (Joel) Odland of Sisseton, SD; sisters-in-law: Wynn Boerger of Twin Brooks, SD; and Carol Oltman of Milbank, SD; along with many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; brothers: Vincent Patnoe and Richard Patnoe; and brother-in-law, Larry Boerger.



Remembering

THE LIFE OF



Eugene Patnoe

1936 - 2024