



Roger Lee Erickson, Jr passed peacefully on Friday, December 27, 2024, at Avera Heart Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Roger was born November 30, 1961, the 3rd of 15 children born to Roger and Dena (Rozeboom) Erickson. Roger was raised in Sioux Falls, South Dakota for a few years until the family moved to the Inwood, Iowa area. He attended West Lyon High School. He married Kathy Schoen in July of 2000.

Roger was a hard worker, who never missed a day of work. He was a farmer all his life. He could drive, run or fix any piece of machinery known to man. Roger didn't believe in a "day off". If he wasn't working on the farm, he was building, fabricating or busy doing something, usually for someone else. He was the first to offer help when anyone was in need. The only time he wasn't working was when he was spending time with his grandkids or family. Family was very important to Roger, and he and Kathy often took in over 10 grandchildren and various children when they fell upon hard times. When he did have a spare moment, he enjoyed riding motorcycles and snowmobiles.

Roger is survived by his mother, Dena; his wife of 24 years, Kathy; 6 children, Kelsy Erickson and special friend Kyle of Des Moines, Iowa, Katelyn Erickson of West Point, Nebraska, Kyle Erickson of Ireton, Iowa, Jennifer Williams of Ireton, Iowa, Stephanie (Mark) Whiddon of Le Mars, Iowa and Josh Williams of Ireton, Iowa; 13 brothers and sisters, Deanna Hamlin of Springfield, Minnesota, Cindy (Jim) Merritt of Inwood, Iowa, Deb (Stuart) Even of Brookings, South Dakota, Rita (Doug) Nemmers of Le Mars, Iowa, Janice (Jody) Farmer of Orange City, Iowa, Kay (Gary) Van Veldhuizen of Doon, Iowa, Mark (Brenda) Erickson of Sioux Center, Iowa, Tim (Cindy Lou) Erickson of Doon, Iowa, Denise Van Otterloo of Farmington, Arkansas, Danita (Mike) Mantel of Doon, Iowa, Dave Erickson of George, Iowa, Phil (Tichelle) Erickson of Rock Rapids, Iowa and Rachael (Joe) Vande Stouwe of Sioux Center, Iowa; numerous brothers and sisters-in law; many nieces and nephews; 19 grandchildren; and 1 great grandchild.

Roger was preceded in death by his father, Roger Erickson; brother, Paul Erickson, son, Justin Erickson; brothers-in-law, Cary Smit and Doug Hamlin; and a nephew, Jeremy Merritt.

In Loving Memory
Roger Lee Erickson, Jr
November 30, 1961 ~ December 27, 2024

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:30 PM, Tuesday, December 31, 2024
Porter Funeral Home
Rock Valley, Iowa

OFFICIANT

Rev. J.J. Witvoet
Netherlands Reformed Congregation
Rock Valley, Iowa

ORGANIST

Larry Rozeboom

PSALTER HYMNS

"The Frailty of Life" #104 vs.3-4
"A Vision of God" #382

PALLBEARERS

Jeff Schoen ~ Josh Williams
Marty Erickson ~ Tim Erickson
Dave Erickson ~ Phil Erickson ~ Dwight Payne

INTERMENT

Valley View Cemetery
Rock Valley, Iowa

Roger's family invites everyone for a time of food and fellowship at the Netherlands Reformed Christian School following the committal service at the cemetery.

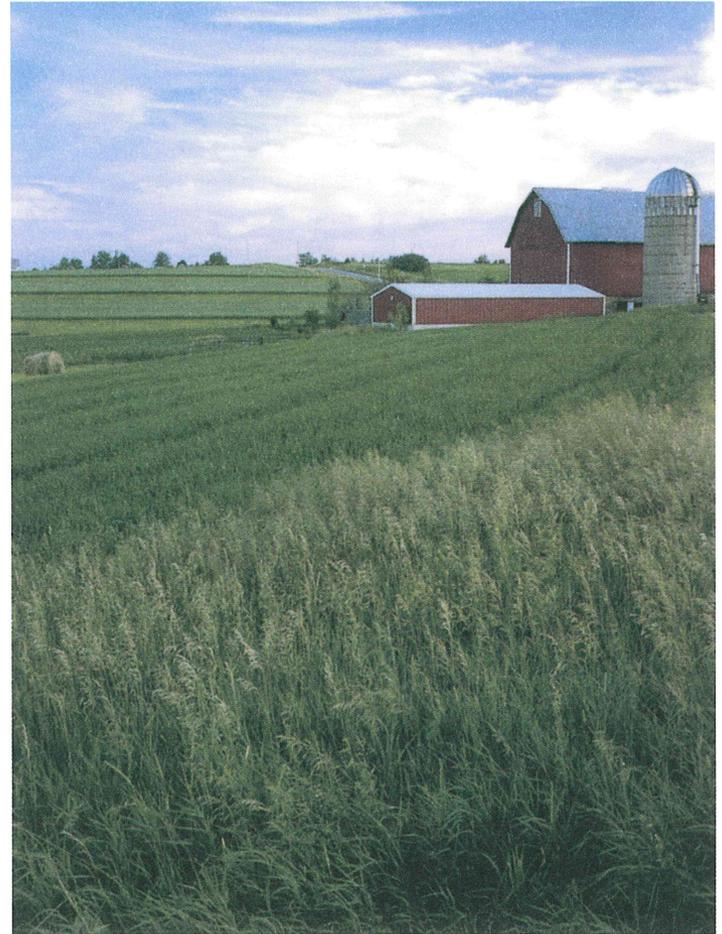
23rd Psalm

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 names 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 AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW
ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE: AND I WILL
DWELL IN THE *house of the Lord forever.*



In Remembrance