

Don passed away on October 5, 2025 surrounded by his family.

Donald Edwin Anderson was born on September 22, 1931 in Fullerton, ND, the second son of Albin and Emma Anderson. He grew up on the family farm with his parents and his big brother Loren. He graduated from Fullerton High School in 1948, and North Dakota State University in Fargo, ND in 1953. He served his country overseas as a U.S. Army 1st Lt. Don and Joanne "Jo" (Woodward) wed in 1955, and Don finished his Master's degree at NDSU. He worked on the NDSU faculty until 1962 when he took a leave of absence and moved to the University of Minnesota where he completed his PhD in Agricultural Economics. He then returned to the NDSU faculty in 1964. For a farm boy from Dickey County, he enjoyed an exciting and rewarding career at North Dakota State University working with the development of agricultural research and education in North Dakota and throughout the world. Don retired as Acting Vice President for Agriculture and Professor Emeritus in Agricultural Economics in 1995.

Don enjoyed summers at the lake and winters in Arizona, traveling, golfing, hunting, fishing, but most of all anything that involved spending time with his family and friends.

Don is survived by his wife of 69 years, Joanne; five children, Craig (Claudine) Anderson of Ogema, MN; Kirk Anderson (Peggy Wolfe) of Lincoln, NE; Carter (Merry) Anderson of Sioux Falls, SD; Karla (Steve) Labernik of Spencer, IA; Kent (Gretchen) Anderson of Fargo, ND; six grandchildren, Joseph (Jessica) Anderson of South Minneapolis, MN; Maxwell (Marjorie) Anderson of Lincoln, NE; John (Tori) Labernik of Pella, IA; Adam (Pravda) Labernik of Iowa City, IA; Charlie Anderson of Fargo, ND; Chelsea Anderson of Fargo, ND.

In Loving Memory



Donald Anderson
September 22, 1931 – October 5, 2025

Miss Me - But Let Me Go

Now that I have come to the end of my road

And the sun has set for me,

I want no tears in a gloom-filled room.

Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little - but not too long -

And not with your head bowed low.

Remember the love we once shared;

Miss me - but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take,

And each must go alone.

It's all part of our Master's plan,

A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart,

Go to the friends we know.

And bury your sorrow in doing good deeds;

Miss me - but let me go.



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Remembering

Donald Anderson

September 22, 1931 - October 5, 2025

Memorial Service

Saturday, November 8, 2025 - 11:00 AM

Messiah Lutheran Church

Fargo, North Dakota

Pastor Laurie Neill, *Officiant*

Jim Gurney, *Organist*

Kent Anderson, *Eulogist*

Congregational Hymns

"Amazing Grace" #779

"Borning Cry" #732

"On Eagle's Wings" #787

Interment

Messiah Lutheran Church Columbarium

Fargo, North Dakota

All are invited to a reception following the service .