

## God, Family and Farming

Norman Frey was born on December 18, 1927 to John and Katie (Sittner) Frey. He was the 3<sup>rd</sup> of nine children, or as Norman always said, three and a half dozen children--3 boys and a half dozen girls. He was baptized on January 22, 1928 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in White Butte, and was confirmed at the same church on July 30, 1939. He lived his early years in White Butte, South Dakota, where he also attended grade school. The family later moved to a farm north of Watauga.

After 8<sup>th</sup> grade, he spent a year helping on the farm, and then attended Northwestern Lutheran Academy in Mobridge for his high school years. There he met the love

of his life, Ella Rabenberg. They were married on September 12, 1948 at St. Jacobi Lutheran in Glenham. They made their home north of Glenham on a farm with Ella's parents. In addition to farming his own land, he helped his father-in-law farm for 14 years. Then Norman and Ella moved their family to a new farm close to Mobridge, where he grew certified seed, put in a cleaning plant, and built an elevator. He was joined in the farming operation by son Roger and grandson Jeff. After 42 years, he retired from farming and Norman and Ella moved to Mobridge.

God was the center of Norman's life. He was always involved at church — taught Sunday School, held offices on church council, taught computer classes at Zion Lutheran grade school, helped with Builders for Christ, and served on the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod Synodical Council.

He took an active part in his farming profession. He served on the State Crop Improvement Association Board, Foundation Seed Board, and the County Weed Board.

Norman was also involved in his community, participating in Rotary and serving on the Mobridge Community Hospital board for many years. He was instrumental in planning and building Prairie Sunset Village, where he lived for two years.

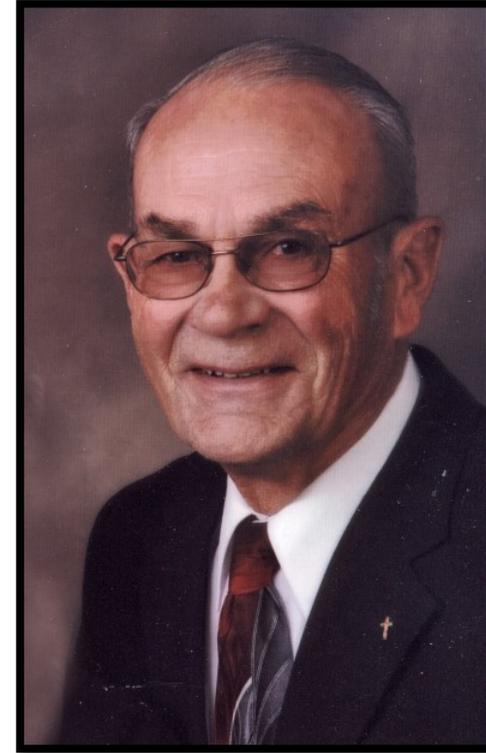
He was well known for his fix-it abilities and always knew when a thermathrockle was acting up. He enjoyed all things electronic, computers, clocks, scroll saw art, and traveling.

He is survived by his children, Virginia (Ron) Glock, Roger (Sheila) Frey, Thomas (Deb) Frey, Timothy (Barbara) Frey, and Andrew (Luna) Frey; fourteen grandchildren, Jennifer, Philip, Michael, Abigail, Brent, Jeff, Greg, Darby, Shandra, Kyler, Hannah, Naomi, Makaia, and Magnus; eighteen great grandchildren, Brandon, Tucker, Mathias, Anna, Nathan, Julia, Grace, Grayson, Raegan, Alexis, Brooke, Zane, Ben, Cameron, Alyssa, Raymund, Ella, and Scarlett; one great-great grandson, Henry; and four sisters, Dorothy Rabenberg, Kathryn Hinker, Betty Nolting, Margie (Elmer)Wagner; many nieces and nephews, and cousins.

Norman passed away at Walworth County Care Center where he had lived the past year.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Ella, sisters Barbara and Doris, and brothers Harold and Albert.

*Well Done Thou Good  
& Faithful Servant*



*Norman Frey*

*December 18, 1927 - January 26, 2022*





IN LOVING MEMORY OF:  
**Norman Ray Frey**

*94 Years ~ 1 Month ~ 8 Days*

**BORN:**  
*December 18, 1927*  
*White Butte, South Dakota*

**PASSED AWAY:**  
*January 26, 2022*  
*Selby, South Dakota*

**FUNERAL SERVICES:**  
*10:30 AM, Saturday, February 5, 2022*  
*Zion Lutheran Church*  
*Mobridge, South Dakota*

**CLERGY:**  
*Pastor Bryant Laude*

**ORGANIST:**  
*Corrine Schlomer*

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS:**  
*“On Eagle’s Wings” ~ “Do Not Let Your Heart Be Troubled”*  
*“The King Of Love My Shepherd Is”*  
*“The Day Of Resurrection”*

**CASKETBEARERS:**  
*Philip Glock ~ Michael Glock ~ Brent Frey*  
*Darby Frey ~ Jeff Frey ~ Greg Frey ~ Kyler Frey*

**HONORARY BEARERS:**  
*Jennifer Hoppenrath ~ Abigail Erdman ~ Shandra Taylor*  
*Hannah Frey ~ Naomi Briones ~ Makaia Frey ~ Magnus Frey*

**PLACE OF BURIAL:**  
*Greenwood Cemetery*  
*Mobridge, South Dakota*

*In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Zion Lutheran Church,  
Great Plains Lutheran High School, Martin Luther College,  
or Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.*

***Safely Home***

*I am home in heaven, dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief are over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever  
Safely home in heaven at last*