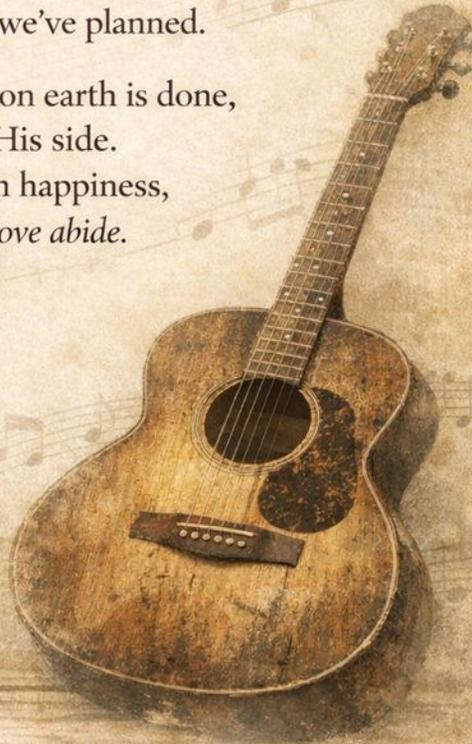


Gift of Life

God gives us each a gift of life,
to cherish from our birth.
He gives us friends and loved ones,
to share our days on earth.

He watches us with loving care,
and takes us by the hand.
He blesses us with countless joys,
and guides the lives we've planned.

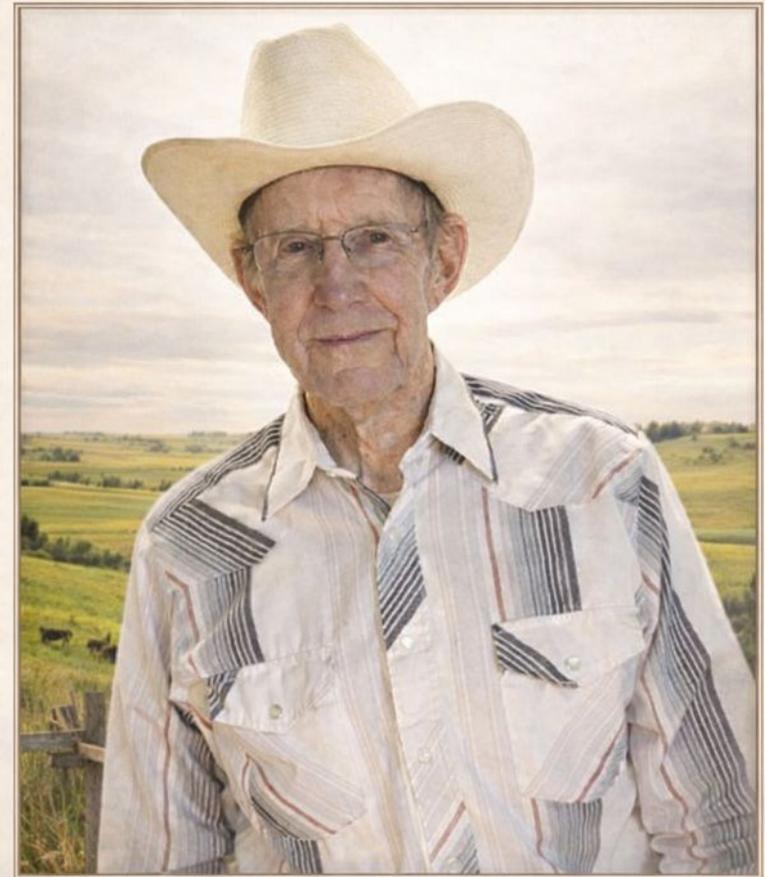
Then, when our work on earth is done,
He calls us to His side.
To live with Him in happiness,
where peace and love abide.



— *Forever strumming melodies in our hearts.* —



In Loving Memory



Richard Meuchel

1937 — 2025

Richard (Dick) Meuchel, age 88, passed peacefully on December 27, 2025 at Baptist Health & Rehab in Bismarck, ND. Richard was born in Saskatchewan Canada in 1937 the second of three children to Nicademus (Nick) and Gloria Meuchel. Early life for Richard was spent on the farm first in Canada and then near Ray, ND where the family moved during his elementary school years. Life on the farm developed a strong work ethic which he carried with him throughout his lifetime.

After high school Richard aspired to be a rancher but had to sell his cattle when he was drafted into the army. He was stationed in various locations and was sent overseas to Germany and spent many months there before being honorably discharged. Upon his return, he started working in the oil field for a company that specialized in tank construction and maintenance where he was employed for many years.

In 1966 Richard was united in marriage to Lila Meyer and they spent 59 years as husband and wife and demonstrated a strong love for each other and their family. The majority of this time was spent in Williston, ND where they raised their children Arlen and Nicole. They were very active and never lost their strong work ethic, every year planting a garden that was so plentiful that harvest time was busy with canning, freezing, and dropping off vegetables to friends and neighbors. Despite the hard work, Richard enjoyed working with the land. Another lifelong passion of Richard's was playing the guitar. He was self-taught and very talented. He played in a variety of bands throughout the years and free time at home would often find him with a guitar in hand.

A move to Bismarck, ND occurred in 2011 after both were retired so they could be near family and enjoy time with grandkids. They made many friends with neighbors and fellow YMCA members by extending their time together to include a coffee group. Richard and Lila were big supporters of their grandkids for their concerts, sporting events, and all holidays and spent a lot of time on the road between Bismarck and Fargo.

Surviving Richard is wife Lila, children Arlen Meuchel (Tresa) of Fargo, Nicole Anderson (Adam) of Bismarck. Grandchildren Teya and Arren Meuchel, and Kinsley and Hayden Anderson. Brother Robert Meuchel, sister Joyce Eide (Bob) and various nieces, nephews, and old friends.

Preceding Richard in death are his parents Nick and Gloria, daughter Michelle, mother and father-in-law Lawrence and Josephine Meyer, brother-in-law Roy Meyer, and sister-in-law Marie Marske.

Please scan the QR code to view the Celebration of Life Tribute video.



Memorial Service

11:00 AM; Friday, January 16, 2026

Weigel Funeral Home

Mandan, North Dakota

Deacon Bob Wingenbach

Officiant

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF RICHARD "DICK" MEUCHEL

Opening song	<i>"Go Rest High on That Mountain"</i>
Introductory Rites	
Sprinkling with Holy water	
Invitation to prayer	
Opening Prayer	
Liturgy of the word	
Old Testament	Wisdom 3:1-9
Responsorial psalm	Psalm 25
	<i>"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."</i>
New Testament	Romans 6:3-4, 8-9
Gospel	John 14:1-6
Homily	
Meditation song	<i>"Peace In the Valley"</i>
Universal Prayer	
The Lord's Prayer	
Final Commendation	
Invitation to prayer	
Song of Farewell	
Prayer of Commendation	
Procession prayers	
Closing song by Arlen Meuchel & Teya Meuchel	<i>"Amazing Grace"</i>

Committal Service

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery



Mandan, North Dakota

Military Honors

United States Army

Mandan American Legion Honor Guard