

Farmer's Hands

Hands that are large and tough from years of rugged outdoor work. Hands that are versatile, simultaneously wielding a sickle and swiping a fistful of June berries from a nearby bush. Hands that clasp themselves habitually in prayer giving thanks for food, for rain, for sun, for late frosts, early springs, good yield, for soil, for health, for a newborn calf. Hands that are strong, squeezing out a pail full of milk in just no time, pulling strands of barbed wire taut, carrying bales of hay and pails of water to hungry, thirsty farm animals. Hands that are gentle, marveling at the softness of a furry kitten, rescuing a duck's nest from the path of the plow, patting the shoulder of a disappointed child. Hands that are inventive, twisting, pounding, pinching until a machine is fixed, shaping an idea into something useful. Hands that are tired from over three quarters of a century of tilling, planting, weeding and harvesting.

Hands that we love - a farmer's hands, my father's,
my grandfather's, my great-grandfather's.



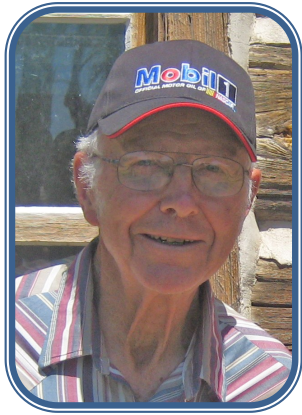
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Joseph R. Bauer, 81, Mandan, passed away on August 31, 2018.

Joseph was born on February 17, 1937 to Leopold & Theresa (Rebenitsch) Bauer in Mandan, ND. He was raised and educated in a one room country school house in Morton County. Joseph married Marlene Erhardt on November 7, 1959 in Mandan. Joseph's passion was farming. He was a reserved man of a few words but had a huge heart. His greatest pride was his family and his farm. Joseph was active in church,

serving as a member of the church council. He was a hunting enthusiast and his highlights included a fishing trip to Alaska with Father Leonard Eckroth and several moose and elk hunting trips with family. He also enjoyed a trip to Austria where he learned of his ancestry. He'll be remembered for his soft hearted disposition, concern for others, and love of animals.

Joseph will be deeply missed by his children, Joseph Jr. (Donna), Mandan, Cindy Opp, Wilton, Cheryl (Brad) Hellman, Mandan, Shane, Fort Rice, Eugene (Angie Mulroy), Fort Rice, Judy (Shawn) Feiring, New Salem; sisters-in-law, Marie Bauer, Mandan and Janice Cline, Emmett, Idaho; grandchildren, Jessi (Blake) Sisk, Alyssa (Tom) Hallendorff, Kaylyn (Tom) Senger, Jayme (Michael Feliciano) Bauer, Mandi Bauer, Lindsey (Chris) Kondos, James (Helen) Hellman, and Geoff Hellman; great-grandchildren, Brayden and Jace Sisk, Aubrey and Jax Hallendorff, Kambrie and Kaiden Bauer-Feliciano, little Joe Bauer, Theo Kondos, Breanna Hellman, and Piper Hellman; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He was also looking forward to meeting another expected great grandson later this year.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Marlene; parents; sister, Mary Ann (Robert) Just; brothers, Leo Bauer, Raymond (Helen) Bauer; brothers-in-law, Jim Cline, and Don Erhardt; his son, John; grandchildren, Melissa, Trevor, and Michael.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.

Following the burial the family invites you for lunch and fellowship in the St. Martin's basement.

In Loving Memory Of

Joseph R. Bauer

February 17, 1937—August 31, 2018

Parish Rosary/Vigil

Thursday, September 6, 2018; 7:00 p.m.

Weigel Funeral Home

Presider

Deacon Gary Mizeur

Vigil Musician

Judy Friesz

Funeral Liturgy

Friday, September 7, 2018; 10:30 a.m.

Church of St. Martin, Huff, ND

Celebrant

Rev. Todd Kreitinger

Concelebrant

Rev. Leonard Eckroth

Musicians

Judy Friesz & Jess Friesz

Prelude

"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

Opening Song

"Amazing Grace"

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Lector

Alyssa Hallendorff

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want"

New Testament Reading

Acts of the Apostles 10:34-43

Lector

Lindsey Kondos

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12a

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song

"Gift of Finest Wheat"

Presentation of Gifts

Great-Grandchildren

Consecration of Eucharist

Communion Song

"On Eagle's Wings"

Communion Meditation

"Here I Am, Lord"

Final Commendation

"Song of Farewell"

Closing Song

"How Great Thou Art"

Casket Bearers - Grandchildren

Lindsey Kondos - Jessi Sisk - Mandi Bauer - Alyssa Hallendorff

James Hellman - Kaylyn Senger - Geoff Hellman - Jayme Bauer

Interment

St. Mary's Cemetery
Fort Rice, North Dakota