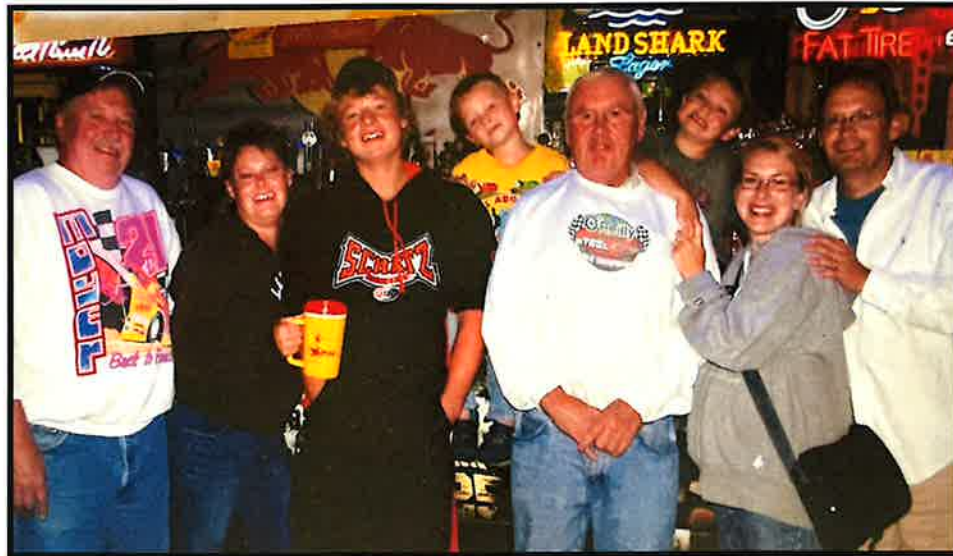




In Loving Memory
Ralph Menke
October 27, 1939 - June 9, 2026





Ralph Menke was born to Fred and Annie (Paetsch) Menke on October 27, 1939. For most of his life, he lived on the family farm west of Neche and attended country school through the eighth grade. On June 12, 1964, he married Sue Menke in Neche. They divorced in the early 1990s. Ralph farmed until the late 1980s / early 90s. After farming, he spent most of his living years working for Johnson Farms and

Northdale Oil. In the fall of 2020, he moved to Country Estates in Cavalier and transitioned to Wedgwood Manor in Cavalier in 2021.

Papa's interests included his grandchildren, spending time at the lake, Zorbaz (Detroit Lakes) listening to live music and enjoying the pizza, collecting Case IH memorabilia, live music and dancing at the Windbreak Saloon (Fargo) and attending Calvary Lutheran Church with his family in Grand Forks.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Annie; sister, Leona; and brothers, Arnold, Alvin and Elmer.

He is survived by his daughter, Jana (Rodger) Corbett; son, Jayson (Lori) Menke; brother, Snookie Menke; grandchildren, Brandon (Sussie) Corbett, Riley Menke, and Parker Menke; great grandson, Kallum Corbett. He is also survived by nieces and nephews.

Ralph Menke, 86, died June 9, 2026, at Wedgwood Manor in Cavalier, ND.

FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, June 30, 2026 - 11:00 a.m.
United Lutheran Church- Cavalier, North Dakota

CLERGY

Rev. Beth Peterson

READERS

Lori Weber Menke Riley Menke Parker Menke

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"On Eagle's Wings" "How Great Thou Art"

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Come Jesus Come"

"When I Get Where I'm Going"

Nicole Safranski, Soloist Barb Puppe, Accompanist

CASKET BEARERS

Brandon Corbett Jeffrey Hughes Parker Menke
Riley Menke Mark Newell Wayne Newell

INTERMENT

Christ Lutheran Cemetery
Neche, North Dakota