



*My Dad, my friend and guiding light,
A gift from God and in His sight.
You taught me by examples set,
With wisdom which was heaven sent.*

*Never judging, always fair,
Ever present, always there.
This sturdy rock and gentle soul,
A kinder man I'll never know..*

*Throughout the past and years we had,
I was so proud to call you "Dad."
In bursting pride you never knew,
Just how much love I had for you.*

*While God has willed that we must part,
We'll stay connected, heart to heart.
For He has smiled and said, "My Son,
Welcome home, a job well done."*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Leo John Folk

WHO WAS BORN

January 12, 1931

Roberts County, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

August 9, 2022

Milbank, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Friday, August 12, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Milbank, South Dakota

CELEBRANT

Fr. Gary DeRouchey

MUSICIANS

xxx, Organist

St. Lawrence Funeral Choir

CASKET BEARERS

Christopher Folk | Jacob Folk | Zachary Aker | Randy Folk
Glen Folk | Duane Folk | Daniel Thyne | Gordon Jankord

HONORARY BEARERS

Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

INTERMENT

St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery

Milbank, South Dakota

Leo's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.

Following the graveside service, please join the family
in the church dining room for a time of food and fellowship.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Mundwiler Funeral Home

Milbank, South Dakota

Leo John Folk was born on January 12, 1931, on the family farm near Corona, SD, in Roberts County. He was the sixth child of 18 children born to Stephen and Barbara (Giessinger) Folk. Leo attended rural school at Genesco #4 through the eighth grade. He worked with his father on the farm until 1958, when he got married. He met Betty Lou Reynen at the movie theater, DeFea Theater in Milbank. Betty tossed popcorn at him and they began dating. They were united in marriage on June 28, 1958, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Milbank. They settled in Milbank and have lived their entire married lives there. They were blessed with two children: Lisa and Neil.

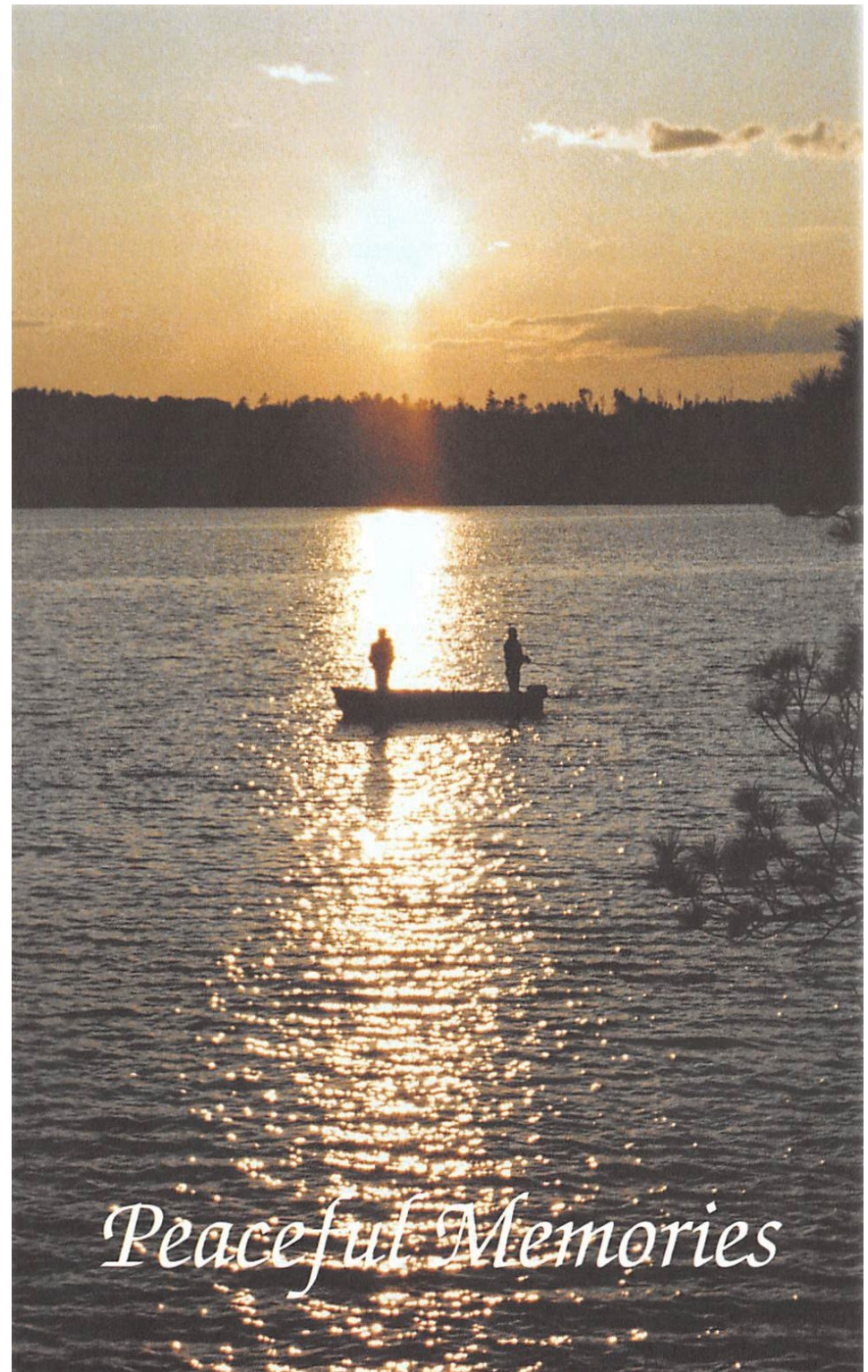
Leo worked for a short time for the Grant County Highway Department. He worked for Valley Queen Cheese Factory as a truck driver for seven years. Leo worked as an electrician for Dorale Electric for 20 years until it closed in the mid 1980's. Leo worked for a short time at St. Lawrence Church and also did side jobs for people who asked him, which led to a job at Allied Service with Phil Nelson Electrical, Heating, and Plumbing. He worked at Angerhofer Plumbing and Heating for several years. Leo and Betty enjoyed driving around the community and Leo would proudly point out the many homes that he had worked on. He also worked on building projects with Earl Bohlen and Arlo Dockter.

When Leo wasn't working, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, and watching the Minnesota Twins. He stayed very busy with side jobs and home projects. He enjoyed helping his neighbors. He also enjoyed woodworking and wood crafts. He made flower boxes and enjoyed gardening vegetables and flowers. He enjoyed watching and feeding the birds and squirrels in his backyard. There wasn't anything that Leo could not fix! He loved to joke and make people laugh. He had a kind heart and always put others first. His children remember him going out after hours in blizzards and horrible weather to help someone who needed their heating or plumbing system fixed. Most importantly, Leo adored his family and loved every minute they shared together.

Leo was a faithful member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 64 years, Betty of Milbank, SD; two children: Lisa (Dale) Aker of Milbank, SD; Neil (Beth) Folk of Milbank, SD; three grandsons: Christopher (Stephanie) Folk of Big Stone City, SD; Jacob (Brittany) Folk of Milbank, SD; and Zachary Aker of Watertown, SD; one granddaughter, Alyssa Aker of Huron, SD; four great-grandchildren: Shayla, Colsen, Mikaela, and Liam; siblings: Mary Whiting of Milbank, SD; Rose Lewno of St. Helens, OR; Teresa Hyatt of Milbank, SD; Eugene (DeAnna) Folk of Corona, SD; Barbara Graham of Colorado; Donald (Shirley) Folk of Corona, SD; and Angela (Rusty) Davis of Nevada.

Leo was preceded in death by his parents: Steve and Barbara Folk; and ten siblings: Ed Folk, Helen Wibeto; Lillian Jorgenson, Florence Jankord, Lucille Rademacher, Charles Folk; Elvina Boerger, Albert Folk, Diane VanHout, and Jeanette Spahr.



Peaceful Memories