

Dale was born on January 23, 1946, in Bridgewater, SD, to John and Margaret (Dahlman) Bettcher. He attended school in Bridgewater and later lived in Colton, Dell Rapids, and Colman. Dale married Darla Haugse July 11, 1969 in Colton, SD. Dale spent many years working at T&R Electric, T&R Service, and later with Dressen Custom Trailers.

Dale cherished time in the garden and took great pride in his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Darla of Dell Rapids; their children: Mike (Telene) Bettcher of Oshkosh, WI, and daughters, Brecca and Brinley; Michelle (Damon) Bishop of Sioux Falls, SD, and daughter, Mercedes; and Matt (Annie) Bettcher of Hartford, SD, and sons, Peyton and Dylan; and two great-grandchildren, Brenna and Harper. He is also survived by his brother, Jerry (Sharon) Bettcher of Sioux Falls, SD, and his sister, Sharon (Jim) Anderson of Mandan, ND.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Allen and Merle; and two sisters, Darlene and Shirley.

In Memory Of **Dale Edward Bettcher**

January 23, 1946 † October 14, 2025

Private Funeral Service

3:00 PM

Sunday, October 19, 2025

Minnehaha Funeral Home Dell Rapids

Officiant

Rev. Jared Rakness

Scripture

Psalm 23

Matthew 11:28-30

Special Music

“Glory Days” Bruce Springsteen

“Show Me Around” Carly Pearce

“I Wish Grandpas Never Died” Riley Green

Honorary Pallbearers

Jerry Bettcher

Peyton Bettcher

Damon Bishop

Dylan Bettcher



*When I come to the end of the day,
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little, but not too long,
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love we once shared -
Miss me, but let me go.
For this is a journey we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all a part of the maker's plan,
A step on the road to Home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Bury your sorrows in doing good deeds -
Miss me, but let me go.*



A Life Remembered



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