



Eldred "Eldy" Anton Eischens was born on January 28, 1927, in Canby, Minnesota, the son of Bernard and Elizabeth (Unzen) Eischens. He grew up in Canby, was baptized at St. Leo Catholic Church, and graduated from Canby High School. He was united in marriage to Anna Mae Richard on November 8, 1949, at St. Michael Catholic Church in Madison, Minnesota. To this union, three children were born. They lived and farmed near Spicer and in 1951 moved to Willmar, where they've lived for the past 75 years.

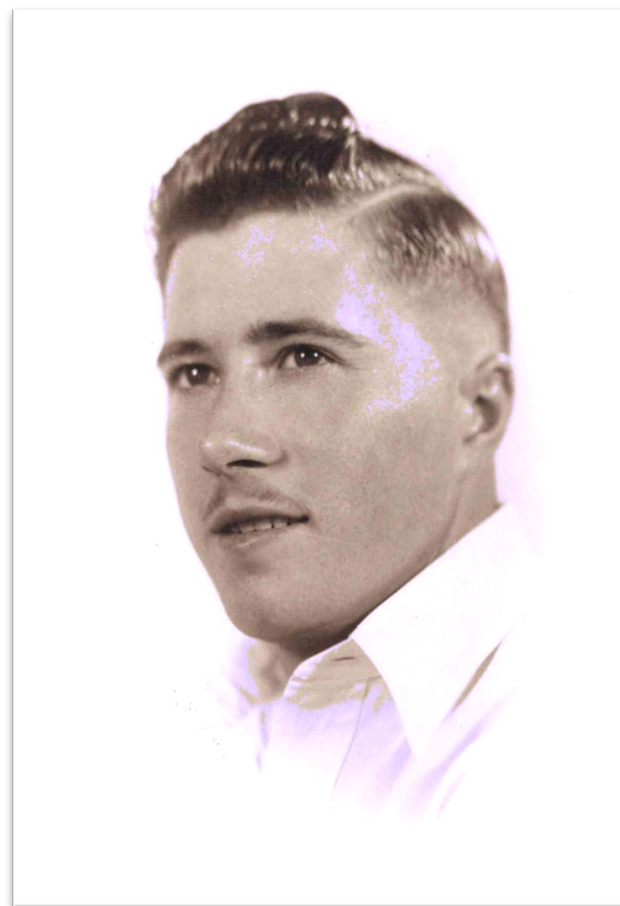
He worked for Goodyear Tire Shop and Gas Station. In 1968, he began working at Willmar Poultry Company, retiring in 2002. He was a member of the Eagles Club and Willmar V.F.W. Post. He bowled on the K of C Bowling league for 30 years. Eldy enjoyed gardening, traveling, fishing, bowling and his dog, Junior. He was kind, good-natured and generous. He also volunteered with the American Red Cross Blood Mobile for 10 years.

Eldy was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church since 1951, serving as a member of the Knights of Columbus, as an usher for 60 years, and volunteering to take care of the church recycling for many years.

Surviving are his three children, Jim (Cheryl) Eischens of New London, Debra (Robert) Roelofs of Spicer and Mark (Cindy) Eischens of Waconia; six grandchildren, Jesse (Tammy) Swenson of New London, Joseph Swenson of Spicer, Jordan (Rose) Swenson of New London, Jinae Plumhoff of St. Cloud, Alissa Eischens of Minneapolis, Andy (Laurie) Eischens of Savage; six great-grandchildren, Gunnar Swenson of Champlin, MJ Plumhoff and Savvy Plumhoff of St. Cloud, Jaymin Eischens and Leyton Eischens of Savage, John Paul Swenson of New London; four step-grandchildren, Brent Roelofs of Estonia, Jamie (Sara) Roelofs of Willmar, Marissa (Brett) Lauer of Willmar, Hannah (Alex) Peterson of Willmar; and three great-great grandchildren, Indy Peterson, Bella Lauer and Eva Lauer, all of Willmar; and a sister-in-law, GeorgeAnn Eischens of Willmar, besides other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Anna Mae in 2018; four siblings, Betty (Tubby) Bratch, Mary Ann Brill, Ray (Mary Ann) Eischens and Arnold Eischens.

# *Celebrating the Life of*



## *Eldy Eischens*

*1927 — 2026*

## *Twenty-Third Psalm*

*The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want...  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters...*

*He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths  
of righteousness for His name's sake...*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of  
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff,  
they comfort me. Thou preparest a table  
before me in the presence of mine  
enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over...*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in  
the house of the Lord forever.*

*Peterson Brothers Funeral Home  
"Celebrating A Life Remembered"*

In Loving Memory Of

*Eldred A. Eischens*

January 28, 1927  
Canby, Minnesota

May 28, 2026  
Willmar, Minnesota

### **Mass of Christian Burial**

Wednesday, June 3, 2026 - 11:00 a.m.

Church of St. Mary  
Willmar, Minnesota

### **Celebrant**

Fr. Ron Huberty

### **Music**

Pianist: Terry Brunson  
St. Mary's Resurrection Choir

Gathering: "Amazing Grace"

Psalm Responsorial: "Shepherd Me, O God"

Preparation of the Gifts: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Communion: "Softly and Tenderly"

Song of Farewell: "The Hand of God Shall Hold You"

Sending: "How Great Thou Art"

### **Honorary Pallbearers**

Jesse Swenson   Joe Swenson   Jordan Swenson  
Jinae Plumhoff   Allissa Eischens   Andy Eischens

### **Interment**

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery  
Willmar, Minnesota