Remembering the life of...

Loren Frank Richards passed away on Sunday March 24th, 2024, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Fergus Falls entering eternal rest.

Loren was born on May 22, 1942 in Norcross, MN to James and Marvel Richards where he lived until he graduated from high school. He was drafted in the Army in 1964 & was always very proud of his years of service.

On May 20th,1967 Loren married the love of his life, Karen Mohagen at West Elbow Lake Church. For a brief period, they resided in Fergus Falls, before they established their home on the shores of Wall Lake where they welcomed their children, Penny and Robbie. Karen passed away in 2000 and Loren remained at their lakeside residence until declining health required him to relocate back to town in 2023.

When Loren returned from Vietnam he drove truck for a local steel yard, followed by delivering fuel oil for Midland Oil. Loren then went to work in the appliance department for Woolworth. When Woolworth closed, he worked as a custodian for Fergus Falls Schools until he retired.

Loren was known for always having a smile. He enjoyed moments shared with loved ones, particularly his four grandchildren. Loren & family were blessed with his dear friend, Gladys Trosvig in which she offered unconditional love and was a part of memories that will last a lifetime. She was his best friend and companion after Grandma Karen passed. She was there in all the good times and there taking care of him in the hard times. She welcomed Loren into her family and she is a part of ours.

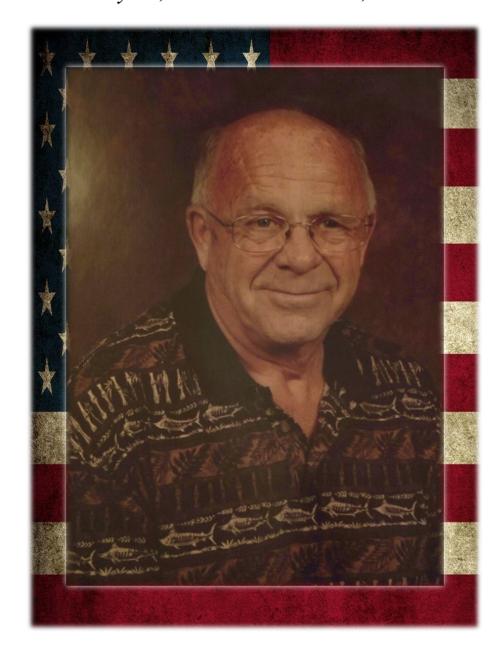
Loren loved traveling; his favorite was Branson where he visited often. His love for the outdoors, fishing & camping trips and deer hunting every fall were always a highlight for Loren. Watching the MN Twins, MN Vikings, and his grandchildren's sporting events brought him great joy. He loved going for morning coffee & getting together with friends and family to play cards. He found joy in and was proud of his expert woodworking skills.

Loren is survived by his daughter Penny Steinhouse (Gregg Schmidt) of Breckenridge, her son Zachary, and son Robbie (Terri) Richards of Glenwood and their children Colin (Abby), Ella, and Olivia, along with his special friend Gladys Trosvig of Fergus Falls, brother Neil Richards of Elbow Lake, and numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and countless friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Karen, parents, brother Gary Richards and sister Ione Johanson.

Blessed be the memory of Loren Richards

Celebrating the Life of Loren F. Richards May 22, 1942 ~ March 24, 2024



I Can Only Imagine

By Mercy Imagine

I can only imagine What it will be like When I walk by Your side I can only imagine What my eyes would see When Your face is before me I can only imagine

I can only imagine What it will be like When I walk by Your side I can only imagine When Your face is before me I can only imagine

Surrounded by Your glory What will my heart feel? Will I dance for You Jesus Or in awe of You be still? Will I stand in Your presence Or to my knees, will I fall? Will I sing hallelujah? Will I be able to speak at all? I can only imagine I can only imagine

I can only imagine When that day comes And I find myself Standing in the Son I can only imagine When all I will do Is forever, forever worship You I can only imagine I can only imagine

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF Loren Frank Richards

May 22, 1942 March 24, 2024

CELEBRATION OF LIFE GATHERING

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m.

CLERGY Reverend Loren Mellum

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 23 ~ Revelation 21:2-7 ~ Mark 16:1-8

> **EULOGY** Ron Mohagen and Colin Richards

MUSIC Peyton Hanneman ~ Pianist

Congregational Hymns *"Amazing Grace" #107 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #466*

Recorded Music "I Can Only Imagine" By Mercy Me "When I Get Where I'm Going" By Brad Paisley and Dolly Parton

MILITARY PARTICIPATION Fergus Falls VFW Post 612 and American Legion Post 30

APPRECIATION

We gratefully acknowledge your attendance and many kind expressions of sympathy during our time of loss. ~ *The family of Loren Richards*

> **Olson** FUNERAL and Cremation Fergus Falls, Minnesota