Raymond Arland Ziegler, of Perham, MN, passed away on February 2, 2023 at the age of 91.

He was born on November 14, 1931 in Gorman Township, the son of William and Amanda (Schultz) Ziegler. Raymond was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Perham. He grew up in rural Perham and graduated from Perham High School in 1948.

On December 6, 1953, Raymond was united in marriage to Helen Schamberger. They recently celebrated their 69<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. From this union, four children were born.

Raymond and Helen farmed in rural Perham. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, passions he enjoyed with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He also enjoyed gardening, playing cards, and traveling, especially to Branson and Texas.

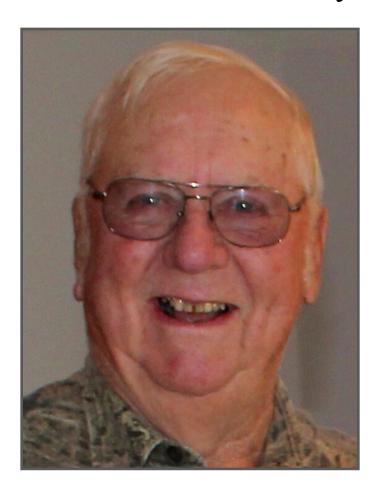
Raymond was a long-serving member of the Gorman Town Board and was also a State Fire Warden for many years.

Surviving Raymond is his wife, Helen Ziegler; children, Sheila (Dennis) Vagle, Wanda Drewes, Larry (Lori) Ziegler, all of Perham; 14 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren; sisters, Arlene (Allen) Rusche and Luella (Norman) Breitenfeldt. He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Daniel; son-in-law, Dean Drewes; and brother and sister-in-law, Alfred and Nadine Ziegler.

Raymond's family would like to express their thanks for your support and love during this time



Celebrating THELIFE OF



Raymond A. Ziegler
November 14, 1931 - February 2, 2023

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it:

"Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me,"

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The Lord replied, "My son, my precious child, I LOVE YOU and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints.

It was then that I carried you."

## Raymond Arland Ziegler

## Funeral Service

Friday, February 10, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church Perham, Minnesota

Officiated By
Pastor Andrew Ratcliffe
Pastor Del Stohs

Musician Angie Ratcliffe

Musical Selections
"Old Rugged Cross"
"Amazing Grace"
"Abide with Me"
"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

## Readers

Bryan Ziegler Stacey Hummel

Scripture Readings
Isaiah 30:15
I Timothy 115

## Casket Bearers

Jason Moses - Stephany Smith - Tyler Drewes Stacey Hummel - Bryan Ziegler - Michael Ziegler

Honorary Casket Bearers

Mark Vagle - James Vagle - Nathan Vagle Richard Gill - Ralph Tackemeyer

Interment
Calvary Memorial Cemetery
Perham, Minnesota