In Loving Memory of

# Jerome "Jerry" Herman Flottemesch

August 13, 1943—July 13, 2020

#### Mass of Christian Burial

Saturday, July 18, 2020 - 11:00 AM Assumption Catholic Church Callaway, Minnesota Father David Baumgartner, Celebrant

#### Readers

Kim Flottemesch Chris Widhelm

Gift Bearers Family of Jerome Flottemesch

> Eucharistic Minister Bernard Bertram

# <u>Ushers</u> Max Klarer Bill Steffl

<u>Special Music</u> Sister Patrice Eblen Tamara Bertram

### **Pallbearers**

Jerome's Grandchildren Matthew Voigt, Peter Voigt, Kamela Flottemesch, Dylan Flottemesch, Mikayla Widhelm, Kellen Widhelm, Reese Widhelm, Herman Robinson, Roland Robinson, Oscar Payne, Arlo Payne

## **Honorary Pallbearers**

Jerome's Godsons Philip Aarness and Jerry Steffl Mary Ann and Lowell Jorgenson, Margaret and Milo LeTourneau

> <u>Interment</u> St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery Callaway, Minnesota



There is a time to reap what is ripe, to bring in what is grown, to pluck what is fulfilled. It is time to harvest. The Father's own son is reaper. The Lord is the reaper, the one who led home the prodigal, gathered in the lamb, waited on the thief, and dined with the sinners. It is harvest time. He is fairer and wiser than those who tend sheep and cattle, those who till soil, those who tend weeds, those who store gain, those who sow seed. It is harvest time. Time to give thanks that Jesus is the judge. He will reap and he will plant; he will harvest and he will grow; he will plant and he will raise. The earth is in His hands. So are those who till and toil. It is harvest time. Soon it will be seed time. Jesus said so. He is in charge of the harvest.

It is in loving memory that we announce the passing of Jerome "Jerry" Flottemesch, 76, on July 13, 2020, at Essentia Health-Oak Crossing in Detroit Lakes, Minn., after a brief, yet strong, fight with pancreatic cancer. Jerome was born August 13, 1943, in Detroit Lakes, the eldest son of Herman and Marie (Kunz) Flottemesch.

A lifelong resident of Callaway, Minn., Jerome graduated from Detroit Lakes High School in 1961. Following graduation, Jerome joined his father and Uncle Joe on the Flottemesch Farm. In 1965, he joined the U.S. Army and served in Korea. After his honorable discharge, he returned home to become the third generation to assume leadership of the Flottemesch Farm in partnership with his brother Richard, which was honored with the Century Farm Award in 2011. In 1969, he married Avis Bertram. They celebrated 50 years of marriage in September 2019. Jerome will be fondly remembered as a man dedicated to his family, farm, faith, and community. Amongst his many civic engagements included involvement in: Assumption Catholic Church, Becker County Soil & Water Conservation, Buffalo-Red River Watershed District, Callaway Lions (Founding Member), Detroit Lakes School Board, and the Knights of Columbus.

Jerome will be most fondly remembered by his surviving relatives, including his wife, Avis (Bertram) Flottemesch; his 5 children and 11 grandchildren: Pamela (Brent) with children Matthew and Peter of Savage, Minn.; Thomas (Kim) with children Kamela and Dylan of Lakeville, Minn.; Jennifer (Chris) with children Mikayla, Kellen, and Reese of Dallas, Texas; Abby (Cortney) with children Herman and Roland of Montréal, Québec, Canada; and Angela (Adam) with children Oscar and Arlo of Washington, D.C; two brothers, Richard of Callaway; and Leon (Dorothy) of Hudson, Wis.; and two sisters, Patricia (Jack) of Hudson; and Margaret (Gerald) of Flom, Minn.; and many loved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family would like to send their heartfelt appreciation to the staff of Hospice of the Red River Valley and Essentia Health-Oak Crossing for their tender-loving care of Jerome.

Those who wish to remember Jerome in a special way may make gifts in his memory to support a stained glass window that will be installed at Assumption Catholic Church in his memory. Gifts can be sent to: Assumption Catholic Church, Attn: Jerome Flottemesch Memorial, 206 Dakota Street, Callaway, MN 56501.



# Remembering with Love Jerome "Jerry" Flottemesch 1943–2020

