

In Loving Memory

Wallace Knutson

April 13, 1938 - August 4, 2024

The Graveside Service Honoring Wally's Life

Friday, August 16, 2024 at 11:00 am

Elm Park Cemetery

Baudette, Minnesota



God saw he was getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around him
And whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched him
Slowly fade away,
Although we loved him dearly
We could not make him stay.



A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

Wallace (Wally) Knutson, 86, passed away at the Benedictine Living Community Crookston on Sunday, August 4th, 2024, with his niece and caregiver, Linda Morgan, by his side.

Wally was born in Warroad, MN on April 13, 1938, the oldest son of William and Hannah (Erlanson) Knutson. Together with his brothers, Conrad and Walter, they were raised on a farmstead 30 miles south of Baudette. He was baptized in the Lutheran Faith and attended grade school 1 mile from his homestead before graduating from Baudette High School in 1957. While growing up Wally spent his time hunting and trapping all kinds of wildlife with his brothers. He was an avid reader throughout his entire life. Wally was a resident of the Pioneer Nursing Home in Erskine, MN until its closing in May of 2023 when he became a resident of Benedictine Living Community Crookston, formerly known as Villa St. Vincent. During his time in both nursing homes, he loved to play games, especially bingo, and attend church services. He enjoyed family reunions held at Linda and husband, Craig's, lake home on Maple Lake, near Mentor, MN. He was known for having a sweet tooth and a love for pop. Wally's hugs, sense of humor, and love for Christian music are just a few things that will be missed.

Wally will be lovingly remembered by his nieces and nephews: Linda (Craig) Morgan of Crookston, MN, Laurie (Curt) Bitter of Baudette, MN, Steven (Joy) Knutson of Baudette, MN and Bill (Brenda) Knutson of Glenwood Springs, CO; 9 great-nieces and nephews, Laura (Connor) Thoreson, Lindsay (Yves) Leemann, Connor (Katie) Morgan, Courtney (Nick) Baade, Isaac (Emily) Bitter, Brandon (Lacey) Knutson, Sherina Knutson, Warren Knutson (Kayla), and Brooke Knutson (Travis); 17 great-great nieces and nephews: Alissa, Blake, and Quinn Thoreson, Remy and Emma Leemann, Bella, Gracie, Lenoire, Nixon, Albany, and Gloria Baade, Winston and Charlotte Bitter, Parker and Presley Hoffman, and Anora and Aliza Knutson; and Lyndon Anderson of Baudette, MN.

Wally is preceded in death by his parents, William and Hannah Knutson; brothers, Conrad Knutson and Walter Knutson; and sister-in-law, Margaret (Knutson) Anderson.

The family would like to thank the nursing staff at the Villa (MCU) and Red River Valley Hospice. Wally will be very sadly missed by all who were fortunate to have known him.

May God richly bless the memory of Wallace "Wally" Knutson

*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 for ever.*



Going Home...