

David Lee Hedrick was born in Browns Valley, MN, on September 3, 1943, to Ernest and Bernice (Davidson) Hedrick. After becoming part of the Jerry and Tibby Lyngby family, he graduated from Hannaford High School in 1961, and with a business degree from NDSU in 1965.

He had a knack for numbers, and was known for that. After graduation, he worked for Reiten Manufacturing, the Melroe Company, and retired from Wil-Rich as their purchasing manager.

On July 19, 1969, David was wed to Muriel Thompson at Eidfjord Lutheran Church. The couple was blessed with three sons, which were the light of his life.

David was an avid reader and sports fan. His main teams were the Vikings and Bison, but could tell you stats on almost anyone. David served on the Leach Public Library board, and would read anywhere from 5-7 books per month, and loved playing trivia. He had a plethora of what some would call “useless information”, unless you were on his team. He always knew the title and artist of old songs, and was a huge sports and history buff. When David wasn’t reading, or learning the latest sports stats, he would take fishing trips with his sons and Keith Wanttaja, Joe Mayer, Clint Nelson, and Dan Hurley.

The love he had for his children and sports led him to help build the Sterns Hockey Arena in Wahpeton, ND. He traveled miles supporting his sons’ hockey team. For many years, he and Jay Schimelfenig worked the penalty box for the Sterns Arena. His love of sports also led him to be a co-founder of the NDSU “Hit-man” Club, along with Jay and Jim Schimelfenig in 1988, which was his greatest legacy.

David is survived by his wife, Muriel; sons, Michael, Daniel (Shannon), and Joseph (Laura) Hedrick; Stephanie Beling; grandchildren, Ethan Hedrick, Erika Shea Hedrick-Bauer, Wyatt (Taylor) Hedrick, Owen Hedrick, Samuel Hedrick, and Joseph Hedrick; special family members who loved and cared for him, Tibby Lyngby, and her family, Angie Lyngby Cox, and Erica Lyngby Jiron, his brothers and sisters-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Bernice; brother, Dickie Hedrick; special family member, Jerry Lyngby; Larry Peterson; in-laws, John and Esther Thompson; sisters-in-law, Kathy Fuglesten, and Bette Messner.

The family has asked that on Saturday wear your favorite sports gear, and have memorials go to either the charity of your choice, or the Bison Teammaker’s Club.



You look at me with eyes of love, you never hold a grudge...You think I'm far too wonderful to criticize or judge.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Art work created by Jay Schimelfenig, Loud Ink

DAVID HEDRICK

September 3, 1943 - January 13, 2023



I am not there

Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep
I am in a thousand winds that blow,
I am the softly falling snow.
I am the gentle showers of rain,
I am the fields of ripening grain.
I am in the morning hush,
I am in the graceful rush
Of birds in circling flight.
I am the star shine of the night.
I am in the flowers that bloom,
I am in a quiet room,
I am the birds that sing,
I am in each lovely thing.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there. I did not die.

- Mary Frye



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Celebrating the Life of

David Lee Hedrick



Age

79 Years 4 Months 10 Days

Memorial Service

2:00 pm - Saturday, January 21, 2023
Bethel Lutheran Church
Wahpeton, North Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Tom Peterson

Pianist

Sandy Olson

Congregational Hymns

Hymn No. 779 - "Amazing Grace"
Hymn No. 856 - "How Great Thou Art"

Special Music

"Yesterday"

Piano - Samuel Hedrick Cello - Owen Hedrick

"Let It Be"

Guitar - Wyatt Hedrick Soloist - Taylor Hedrick

Honorary Pallbearers

Dan Hurley, Don Bierdeman, Jay Schimelfenig, Harold Kjelgaard
Larry Ostenson, Angi Lyngby-Cox, Erica Lyngby-Jiron
Wayne Shumacher, Joel Sirek and all who called David friend

Military Honors

North Dakota Funeral Honors Team & Wahpeton Military Unit

Interment at a Later Date