

**Harold John Pantze** was born July 5, 1930, near Villard, MN, the son of John and Bernice (Cobert) Pantze. Harold attended country school through the eighth grade. Following school, he remained on the farm to help his parents. As a farmer he was turned down by the US Army twice. At age twenty-four he was accepted by the Army and served in Germany.

Following his discharge from the Army, Harold returned to Minnesota and was married. The couple moved to Minneapolis where they began raising four children. Harold ended up raising all four children himself. He worked hard to support his family and would do anything for them. Harold worked at Eaton Corporation where he operated machines manufacturing hydraulic equipment. He retired from Eaton after thirty-four years.

Harold enjoyed collecting model train sets and die cast model cars. He enjoyed watching WWE on television. Harold spent many days at threshing shows throughout Minnesota; he loved these shows and tried to attend as many as he could. His greatest hobby was looking out for his children throughout their lives. In 2007 he moved from Minneapolis to St. Joseph to be closer to his children. As Harold aged his children did their very best to look out for him

On Wednesday, July 10, 2019, Harold was surrounded by his children as he died at the age of eighty-nine years. He was preceded in death by one son, Gregory Pantze. Harold is survived by two sons, Mike Pantze of Columbia Heights, MN and John Pantze and wife, Christine, of Bowlus, MN; one daughter, Laurie Pantze of St. Joseph; grandchildren, Heather Pantze, Matt Pantze, Bryan Smith, Amber Remley, Josh Johanson, Tommy Pantze, and Jonathon Jackman; great grandchildren, Jet Pantze, Emma Pantze, Mya Pantze and Natalia Remley; and one sister, Ruth Alcott of Alexandria.

## ***Footprints***

*One night I had a dream. I was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the skies flashed scenes from my life. In each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One was mine, and one was the Lord's.*

*When the last scene of my life appeared before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand, and to my surprise I noticed that many times along the path of my life there was only one set of footprints. And I noticed that it was at the lowest and saddest times in my life.*

*I asked the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way. But I notice that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why you left my side when I needed you most."*

*The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, where you see only one set of footprints, I was carrying you."*

*In Memory of*



## **Harold John Pantze**

July 5, 1930



July 10, 2019

### **Funeral Service**

Anderson Funeral Home  
Alexandria, Minnesota  
Tuesday, July 16, 2019  
1 PM

### **Officiant**

Reverend John Martinson

### **Honorary Casket Bearers**

Mike Pantze	John Pantze
Bob Fabel	Bryan Smith
Matthew Pantze	Josh Johanson

### **Military Honors**

Alexandria Veterans Honor Guard

### **Interment**

Adams Cemetery  
Villard, Minnesota

### **Arrangements**

Anderson Funeral Home  
Alexandria, Minnesota