Close The Gate

For this one farmer the worries are over, lie down and rest your head,
Your time has been and struggles enough, put the tractor in the shed.

Years were not easy, many downright hard, but your faith in God transcended, Put away your tools and sleep in peace. The fences have all been mended.

You raised a fine family, worked the land well and always followed the Son,
Hang up your shovel inside of the barn;
your work here on earth is done.

A faith few possess led your journey through life, often a jagged and stony way,

The sun is setting, the cattle are all bedded,

and here now is the end of your day.

Your love of God's soil has passed on to your kin; the stories flow like fine wine, Wash off your work boots in the puddle left by blessed rain one final time.

You always believed that the good Lord would provide and He always had somehow, Take off your gloves and put them down, no more sweat and worry for you now.

Your labor is done, your home now is heaven; no more must you wait, Your legacy lives on, your love of the land, and we will close the gate.

- Nancy Kraayenhof

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Edward Richard Anderson

WHO WAS BORN
June 30, 1930
Almond Township, Big Stone County, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME April 24, 2024 Ortonville, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE Tuesday, April 30, 2024 - 11:00 a.m. Trinity Lutheran Church Clinton, Minnesota

> OFFICIANT Minister Jim Rach

MUSICIANS Bonnie Stotesbery, Accompanist Randy Stotesbery, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS
Keith Anderson | Brad Propp | Gene Moberg
Bill Moberg | Chuck Folkens | Richard Martinson

INTERMENT Clinton City Cemetery Clinton, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Eddie's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the service, please join the family for lunch and fellowship in the church fellowship hall.

Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home - Moberg Chapel Clinton, Minnesota dward Richard Anderson was born at the family farm in Almond Township of Big Stone County, MN, on June 30, 1930, to Anton and Anna (Samuelson) Anderson. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Clinton, MN. Eddie attended country school at District #4.

Eddie graduated from Clinton High School in 1948. He farmed with his father and attended winter semesters at University of Minnesota. While at the college, he sang with the U of M Male Chorus. He also managed the movie theater in Clinton in the late 1950's.

Eddie met Marvel Krause through his sister, and they were married at St. John's Lutheran Church in Dixville, MN, on July 8, 1961. Eddie and Marvel raised their family on the Anderson Family Farm. Eddie took pride in his family, community, and church. He was an active volunteer, he served on various committees at Trinity Lutheran Church, was on the Clinton School Board, a 4-H leader, sang in the Milltones Male Chorus, and was active with the local DFL party and was a State Delegate. He also served on the Clinton Housing Board and the Old Power and Machinery Club.

Eddie loved going to high school football and basketball games and had an appreciation for music. He sang in his church choir for 70 years and Milltones Male Chorus for 24 years. He encouraged everyone to have a balance of music and sports in their lives.

Eddie is survived by his wife Marvel; his children: Dean Anderson (Sharon Schroeder) of Hopkins, MN; Joleen (Matt) Rein of Center City, MN; and Lynn (Dan) Retzlaff of Fargo, ND; two grandchildren: Anna and Erin Rein; step-granddaughters: Sarah Eichhorn and Jordan (Brandon) Derhaag; step-great-grandchildren: Tristan, Nevaeh, Savanah, Sawyer, Kora, and Callen; and sister, Ruth T. Anderson.

Eddie is preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Vernon; his sister, Alma Rupp; and brother-in-law, Allen Rupp.





