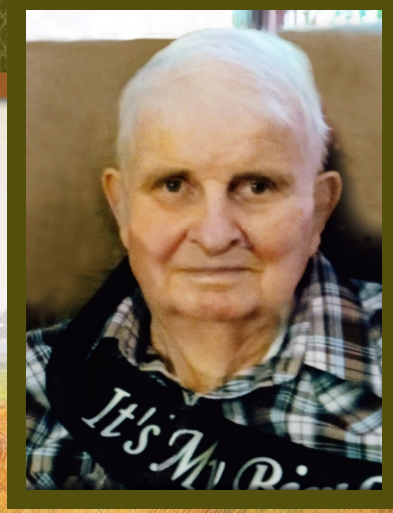




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 Open the doors to heaven
 and welcome Don in.
 My, what a sight he will see,
 and Jesus to walk with at sunrise.
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 Son, brother, husband, dad and grandpa,
 My what a trail of hats you wear.
 Now a crown you are wearing,
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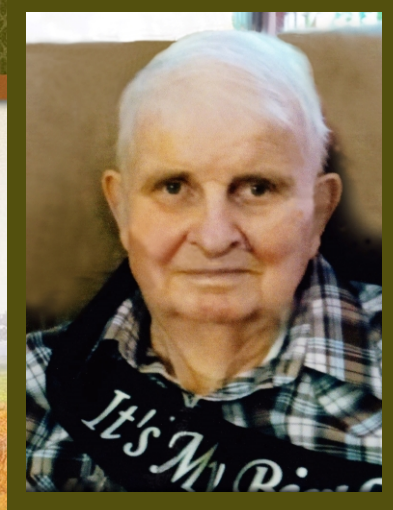
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Don had met the love of his life, Barbra Schadwinkel, at a very early age. The couple knew from the very start that they were meant to live the rest of their lives together. They met when Barb was in her senior year of high school and on March 6, 1961, the couple married at the Presbyterian Church in Pipestone, at the age of 19. This union was blessed with the birth of their daughter, Deborah, and the marriage continued to thrive for 63 years. In 2009, Don and Barb moved into Jasper, Minnesota, where they resided until an automobile accident on May 4, 2024. Due to needing help recovering, Don then moved into the Good Samaritan Communities in Pipestone for a few months before becoming a resident at the Pipestone Hospice House. Don passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at the age of 83 years and 12 days.

Don lived a full life. Along with being a small business owner, he was an Ihlen City Councilman for over ten years. Barb and Don were members of Christ the King Free Lutheran Church in Pipestone. Don loved attending auctions, watching his great-grandchildren at sporting events, and always loved indulging in a hot cup of coffee with his friends; especially his close friend, Jim Whipple. Don took great pride in his lawn and he was an avid gun, knife and Terry Redlin collector. Don had extremely strong family values, his love for his family ran deep and strong. He was a loyal husband, great father and an amazing friend to those who knew him.

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Readers - Carter Holt & Rev. Brian Westerbur

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Organist - Barb Westerbur **Violinist** - Diane Peterson

Congregational Hymns

"The Old Rugged Cross" - Hymn 256

"I Can Only Imagine"

"Amazing Grace" - Hymn 107

Honorary Urn Bearers

And all of Don's beloved dogs.

Jim Whipple Chad Bucher Al Blom
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Inurnment

Ihlen Cemetery - Ihlen, Minnesota

Left to remember Don, is his wife, Barb Westerbur of Pipestone, Minnesota; daughter, Deborah (Rick) Meyer of Ihlen, Minnesota; brother, Dan Westerbur (special friend, Sheila Halverson) of Garretson, South Dakota; grandkids, Nicki (Dustin) Holt, Naomi Lorenzen, and Jonathan (Brittany Anderson) Fredricks; great-grandchildren, Kade Gebauer, Aisha Lorenzen, Nolan Stark, Connor Holt, Carter Holt, and Aallyah Smith; his uncle, Bill Reimers; and close friend, Jim Whipple. Don was preceded in death by his parents, John and Ethel Westerbur; brothers, John Westerbur Jr. and Eugene Westerbur; mother-in-law, Christena Schnepf; father-in-law, Raymond Schadwinkel; sister-in-law, Connie Swenson; and brothers-in-law, Dennis Schadwinkel and Rick Schnepf.

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