

Russel Franklin Jacobs was born on May 4, 1929, in Wahpeton, ND, to Frank and Emma (Max) Jacobs. He grew up in Breckenridge, MN, and attended the country school across the road from the farmstead. During the winter months, Russel was responsible for going to the school and starting the fire in preparation for all the other children and teachers to arrive. He later graduated from Breckenridge High School in 1947 and then began farming near Rothsay during the farming seasons and took winter jobs in town such as Schuler Grain and Texaco Station. He then worked for the Breckenridge School District as a custodian for 26 years where he established many lifelong friendships.

Russel was united in marriage to Joan Marie Johnson on November 12, 1950, in Fergus Falls, MN. They raised two children, Roger and Barb, on the family farmstead on County Road 16. Throughout the years, Russel enjoyed gardening, mowing, and maintaining the property on the farmstead. An avid outdoorsman, Russel taught his grandsons how to shoot guns and gopher hunt. He loved deer hunting and went every year- missing their anniversary and his wife's birthday, and boy, did he hear about that! He continued to hunt at Bagley, MN, well into his 80's. He and Joan enjoyed adding to their collections including rosemeade and tractor models. After a number of years, the country school Russel attended was moved onto the farmstead and the school bell was proudly displayed in the yard where the grandchildren would take turns ringing it as they arrived at Grandpa and Grandma's house.

Those left to cherish his memory are his grandchildren and their families, Shane (Nefize) Jacobs, and their children Sebastian and Aydan, Justin (Rebecca) Jacobs, and their daughters, Kaylin and Alyssa, Cory (Ann) Jacobs, and their children, Ava and Carson, and Brett (Kristin) Jacobs and their son, Elliot Jacobs; and daughter-in-law, Debra Jacobs.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Joan Jacobs; children, Barb Moellenkamp and Roger Jacobs; parents, Frank and Emma Jacobs; sister, Verna Pratt; and son-in-law, Jeff Moellenkamp.

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5.4.1929 — 12.26.2022



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Born: May 4, 1929 • Wahpeton, North Dakota

Died: December 26, 2022 • Wahpeton, North Dakota

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Joseph Vertin and Sons Funeral Home

Breckenridge, Minnesota

11:00 a.m., Monday, January 2, 2023

PARTICIPANTS

Rene Hasbargen, Celebrant

HONORARY URNBEARERS

All Who Knew & Called Russel "Friend"

SPECIAL MUSIC

On Eagle's Wings • Amazing Grace

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

BURIAL IN THE SPRING

Fairview Memorial Gardens

Wahpeton, North Dakota

Fill not your heart with
PAIN AND SORROW,
But remember me in every tomorrow...
Remember the JOY,
the LAUGHTER,
the smiles,
I've only gone to rest a little while.
Although my leaving causes pain & grief
My going has eased my hurt
And given me relief.
So dry your eyes and remember me,
Not as I am now, but as I used to be.
Because I will
REMEMBER YOU ALL
And look on with a smile.
Understand in your hearts
I've only gone to rest a little while

*The family wishes to express their gratitude for your
kind expressions of sympathy and for honoring
Russel with your presence at the service.*