

GOD'S FARM

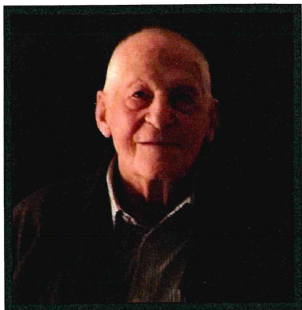
*God needs someone in heaven
To plow and plant the rows.
And when He calls on me,
I know that I must go.
Remember that I won't be gone,
I will just be away,
Working on God's farm
'till we're united again one day.
There will be no storms in heaven
And the fields are long and straight.
When it's time for you to join me,
I'll be waiting inside heaven's gate.
Remember, until the day arrives,
When once more our lives we'll share,
To look in the green fields growing
And you'll see me working there.*



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Charles Edward Lausen was born January 3, 1926 at South Shore, South Dakota to Laue and Gladys (Southwick) on the family farm. Charles married the love of his life Doris Lohr on August 23, 1949 in Watertown, South Dakota. He worked at a packing plant in Watertown.

When that plant closed, they moved to Hawarden, Iowa to help build and work at the Kane Packing Plant. Charles then worked for the City of Hawarden until he retired. As a second job, he would help do farm work. He helped Duane Fickbohm on his farm into his late 80's.

Charles liked collecting tractors and was a charter member of the American Lutheran Church. He passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at the Akron Care Center in Akron, Iowa at the age of 97.

Left to cherish his memory are his five daughters, Janice (Darrell) Reinking of Johnston, Iowa, Nancy (Russ) Larson, Tammy (Robert) Horton and Renee (Steve) Gaul all of Hawarden and Shelly (Steve) Busch of Alton, Iowa; 8 grandchildren, Jesse, Jerrame, Josh, Kelly, Travis, Brandon, Derek, and Tanner; 11 great-grandchildren; sister, RoseAnn McDonald of Stephenville, Texas; sister-in-law, Barbara Ries of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; 2 brothers-in-law, Allen Lohr and Allan Hansen both of Sioux Falls; special friend, Duane Fickbohm; and many nieces and nephews.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 69 years, Doris; siblings, Merle, Darrell, Genevieve, and Harvey; sisters-in-law, Donna, Mabel, Darlene, Char, Daphne, and Stella; and brothers-in-law, Marv, Chet, Russell, Orvil, Al, J.D., and Virgil.

***In Loving Memory Of
Charles Edward Lausen***

FUNERAL SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 6, 2023
American Lutheran Church
Hawarden, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Pastor Kandi Anderson

PIANIST

Rhonda Wiksen

SOLOIST

Scott Nilson

“Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”

“Old Rugged Cross”

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

“On Eagle's Wings”

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Ryvr Larson ~ Summyt Larson ~ Brylee Larson
Lux Larson ~ Hadley Larson ~ Anyston Larson
Lennon Larson ~ Kennedy Harris ~ Maya Harris
Ava Reinking ~ Leyton Reinking

CASKET BEARERS

Jerrame Larson ~ Josh Larson ~ Travis Larson
Jesse Reinking ~ Brandon Busch ~ Tanner Busch
Derek Gaul

INTERMENT

Grace Hill Cemetery
Hawarden, Iowa

*Please join Charles' family for lunch and fellowship
at the church following the committal service.*