

*Raymond Ridl* was born January 28, 1931 to Anton and Eleanor (Samek) Ridl, northeast of Dickinson on the family farm. He attended country school and then Model High School. He met Regina Hanel at a dance and the couple was married on May 5, 1952 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church. To this union, five children were born: Diane, Marie, Kathleen, Marjory and Allen. The couple made their home in Dickinson. Ray worked at Kramer Sheet Metal for over 50 years. He enjoyed the great outdoors; gardening, fishing, hunting, and daily walks.

His hobbies included wood working, coin collecting, reading Louis L'Amour books, and listening to Czech music. The greatest gift Ray gave to his family was his Catholic faith.

Ray is survived by his son, Allen (Char) Ridl, Dickinson; three daughters, Diane Kovash (Galen Steffan- fiancé), Kathleen (Steve) Zimmerman and Margie Ficek all of Dickinson; ten grandchildren, Jennifer (Jason) Hulstein (Matthew, James, Carly, Julia), Vanessa (Brian) Smith (Alex, Scarlett, Evie, Henry, Theo), Jesse (Patty) Kovash, Lindsey (Dave) Kuntz (Hayden, Amelia), Lacey (Ryan) Unruh (Aurora, Cecelia), Elissa (Brian) Forster (Cassie, Brooklyn, Abby), Eric (Bryndon) Lembke (Avery, Evan), Alison Ficek, Aric Ficek (Grace Nicholson-fiancée) and Ann Ridl.

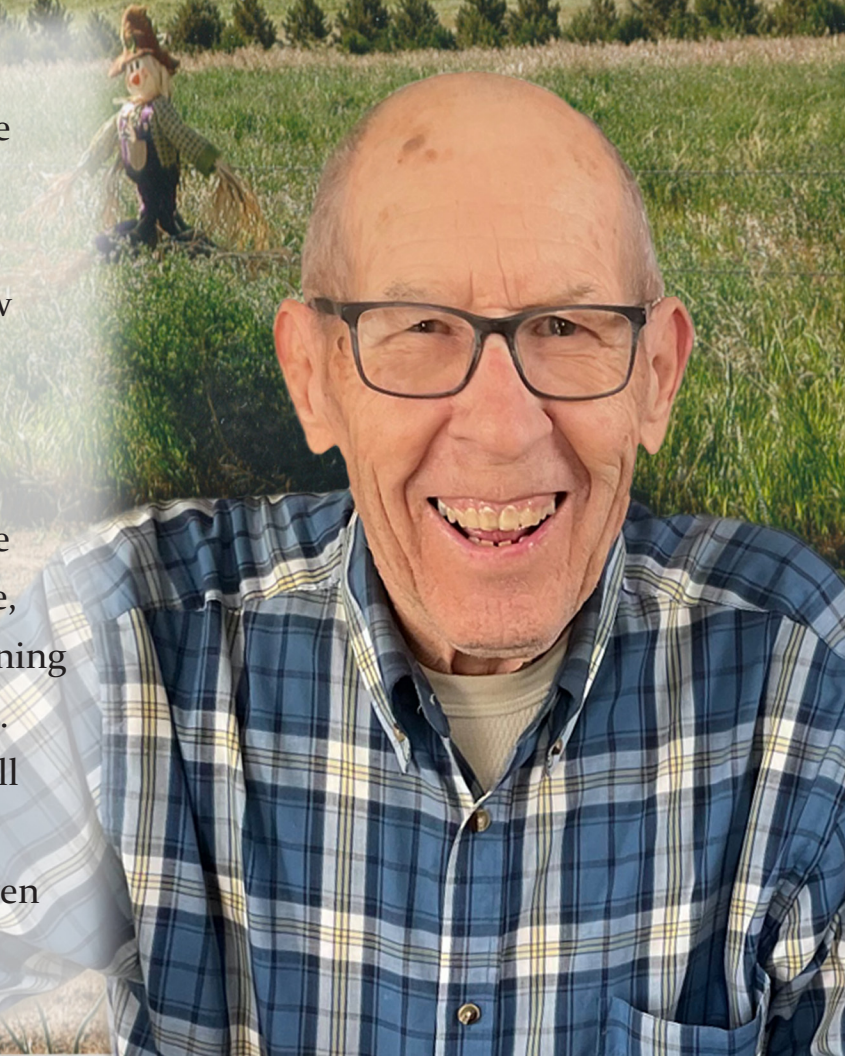
He is preceded in death by his wife, Regina, on May 1, 2009; parents, Anton and Eleanor; infant daughter, Marie; son-in-law, Monte Kovash; siblings, Clarence Ridl, Tony Ridl, Grace Wetzel, and Gene Ridl.



# Raymond "Ray" Ridl

January 28, 1931-February 5, 2023

Now that I am gone  
Don't grieve too long for me  
Just look into the sunset  
And know God set me free  
For I don't want your sorrow  
And I hate to see you cry,  
So rise above your sadness  
Before this day goes by.  
Our grief can be destructive  
And things like this must be,  
Don't waste your time in mourning  
But sometimes think of me.  
All of you have loved me well  
Now I'm gone it's true.  
Just remember me, my children  
For I live on in you.



# Ray Ridl

## **FUNERAL MASS:**

Friday, February 10, 2023 10:00 am  
St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## **ROSARY & VIGIL:**

Thursday, February 9, 2023 6:00 pm  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota  
Deacon Bob Zent

## **OFFICIATING:**

Father Bill Ruelle

## **MUSIC:**

Sandy Tibor & Dominic Tibor

## **READERS:**

Allen Ridl & Steve Zimmerman

## **GIFTBEARERS:**

Lindsey Kuntz & Lacey Unruh

## **PALLBEARERS:**

Allen Ridl	Brian Smith
Jason Halstein	Jesse Kovash
Aric Ficek	Ryan Unruh

## **INTERMENT**

St. Wenceslaus Cemetery  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## **ARRANGEMENTS BY:**

Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

*Lunch will be served at the church following the committal service. Everyone is welcome.*

