Kenneth Lee Jensen was born on December 2, 1941, to William and Lydia (Schoewe) Jensen in Holmes City, MN. Ken attended school through the 9th grade until he began helping his family full time on the farm.

Ken met his wife, Janet Myrin, and they were married on August 6, 1966, at Fahlun Lutheran Church in Nelson, MN, blessing him with 3 step-children, Michael, Pamela, and Patricia. To this union, Ken and Janet had another son, Bruce. The family moved to Benson, MN where they lived for 18 years. While living in Benson, Ken worked at the alfalfa plant, obtained his GED in 1977, and was able to attend school in Granite Falls, MN, receiving his Boilers License.

Ken and Jan moved back to the Alexandria in 1990 where Ken worked as a custodian at Holiday Inn and then at Arrowwood until retirement. He also worked at Calvary Lutheran Church as a custodian and volunteered there as well.

Not only did Ken help the children grow with Janet, but he helped the garden grow as well. He had 6 different ways to till the garden and turned their lake place into a mini farm with all the equipment and tractors. He collected miniature John Deere tractors, traveled to Holmes City every Saturday to shop at the farmer's market, loved to watch baseball, enjoyed coffee at Traveler's Inn with his friend, Grant, and enjoyed chatting with friends in the hallway between Bethany and Bethel Manor. Ken was a quiet, zero "frill" kind of man, and was a loyal husband who loved Janet dearly.

Kenneth passed away on Sunday, April 10, 2022, at Bethany on the Lake at the age of 80. He is survived by his children, Pamela Fennell, Michael (Ann) Etcheverry, Patricia (Michael) Holden, and Bruce (Kathy) Jensen; grandchildren, Zachary (Zabreana) Fennell, Hayley Fennell, Jeremiah (Tiffany) Etcheverry, Andrew (Malarie) Etcheverry, Lance Holden, Austin (Courtney) Holden, Ben Jensen, and Katie Jensen; 7 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Audrey Jensen; and brother-in-law, Jim Thompson. Ken is preceded in death by his wife, Janet; his parents, mother and father-in-law, Carl and Vera Myrin; brother, Chuck Jensen; sisters, Joan Thompson and Rose (Harold) Kluver; and son-in-law, Ron Fennell.

The Day God Called You Home

God looked around His garden and found an empty space.

Then He looked down upon the earth and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you, lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful, for He only takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering.

He knew you were in pain.

He saw the road was getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.

So He closed your weary eyes,
and whispered, "Peace be thine".

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone. For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.



In Memory of

Kenneth L. Jensen

December 2, 1941 & April 10, 2022

Memorial Service

Anderson Funeral Home Alexandria, Minnesota Friday, April 15, 2022 11:00 AM

Officiant

Pastor Angie Larson

Honorary Urn Bearers

Zachary Fennell Hayley Fennell
Jeremiah Etcheverry
Andrew Etcheverry
Lance Holden Hayley Fennell
Ben Jensen
Katie Jensen
Austin Holden

Interment

Geneva Cemetery Alexandria, Minnesota

