

**Eugene Willard Wagner**, 93, passed away on Thursday afternoon, April 18th, 2024, in his rural Fisher, MN, home with his loving family at his side.

Eugene was born in Crookston, MN on December 4, 1930 to Martin and Ida (Heydt) Wagner. He grew up on the family's farm near Fisher together with his 8 brothers and sisters, was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith, and graduated from Fisher High School with the

Class of 1948. After attending Bemidji State College he began farming in Lowell Township. Eugene was called to serve his country as he entered the US Army on December 11, 1952, and served a tour of duty in the Korean War. Following his honorable discharge on September 24, 1954 he returned to the farm. He was united in marriage to the love of his life, Gladys Ann Jurchen, on August 21, 1955 in Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Crookston. The coming years would find Eugene and Gladys blessed with 8 children. As time passed they also found a place in their hearts and home to care for many foster children.

Eugene and Gladys were devoted members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Fisher, where he faithfully served his Savior in the church. He was also a member of the Walther League and served for many years as Lowell Township treasurer. Eugene was humble, compassionate, quiet by nature, and always put others first. Above all he was devoted to his wife, children, and their families.

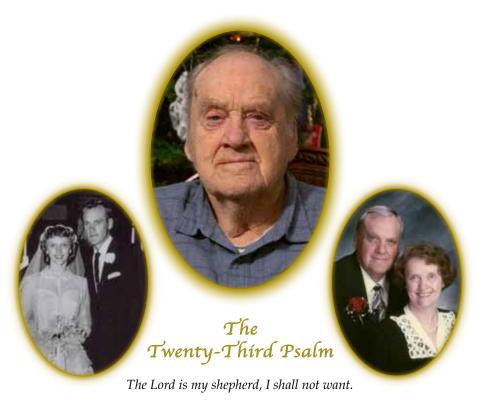
Eugene will be lovingly remembered by Gladys, his beloved wife and partner for over 69 years; their 8 children and families: Daniel and Ellen Wagner of Sartell, MN, Barbara and Arnold Andring of Crookston, MN, Kenneth and Mary Wagner of Fisher, MN, David and Kim Wagner of Bellingham, WA, Heidi and Joseph Gubanyi of Seward, NE, James Wagner of Fisher, MN, Randall and Sarah Wagner of Fisher, MN, and Peter and Lori Wagner of Fisher, MN; 27 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild; sister-in-law, Harriet Wagner of Fisher; nieces and nephews; extended family and many friends.

Eugene was preceded in death by his parents, Martin and Ida Wagner; his precious grandson, Joshua "Josh" Thiem; and his brothers, sisters, and their spouses: Evelyn (Noel) Wentzel, Lloyd Wagner, Irene (Amos) Ross, Delbert Wagner, Florence (Warner) Wentzel, Earl (Elizabeth) Wagner, Betty Lou (Marlin) Radi, and Rosemary (Eugene) Morken.

May God bless the memory of Eugene Willard Wagner.



In Beloved Memory



He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: *He leadeth me beside the still waters.* 

He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yes, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.



#### IN LOVING MEMORY

# Eugene Willard Wagner

December 4, 1930 - April 18, 2024

# The Prayer Service and Sharing of Memories

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Stenshoel-Houske Funeral Home - Crookston, Minnesota Led by Pastor Doug Thompson Carol Wagner, pianist

## The Funeral Service Honoring Eugene's Life

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. Trinity Lutheran Church - Fisher, Minnesota The Rev. Douglas Thompson, officiating

## Scripture Readings

Isaiah 53:4-6 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 John 10:22-30

## Congregational Hymns

"Chief of Sinners Though I Be" "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" "I'm But a Stranger Here" "I Know that My Redeemer Lives" Marilyn Wentzel, organist

#### Casket Bearers

Eugene's Grandsons

Aaron Wagner Jacob Wagner Joshua Thiem (in spirit) Ben Thiem Doug Andring

Hans Wagner Isaac Wagner Lucas Wagner Abram Wagner Nicolai Love Tony Love

Marcus Gubanyi Andrew Donner Micah Wagner Thomas Wagner Nathan Wagner

#### Honorary Casket Bearers

Roger Beiswenger Jarold Wardner

Joel Wagner Robin Wagner (in spirit) Terry Ard

Sean Schneider Jerry Wentzel

#### Interment

Oakdale Cemetery ~ Crookston, Minnesota

## Military Honors

Minnesota National Guard Funeral Honors Team Crookston Veterans Council

We wish to thank everyone for your very kind expressions of sympathy that have meant so much. Also for your presence, whether in body or prayerfully, as we celebrate the life of our wonderful Husband, Dad, Grandfather, Brother-in-law, and Uncle.

With grateful hearts,

Gladys – Daniel and Ellen – Barbara and Arnold – Kenneth and Mary – David and Kim Heidi and Joseph – James – Randall and Sarah – Peter and Lori Three Generations Who Loved Their Grandpa – Harriet – and Family