George Phillip Athey was born on June 21, 1934, in Gales Township, Redwood County, Minnesota to Lyle and Mary (Carlson) Athey. He grew up in Clinton and graduated from Clinton High School. George later owned and operated the Clinton Feed Mill for a few years. He moved to Minneapolis and spent most of his working years in maintenance at Control Data before retiring in 1974. George moved to Alexandria and married Rose Carlson.

George enjoyed helping friends and neighbors farm. He also enjoyed gardening, fishing, smoking fish and ribs, and living off the land. Most of all, George loved being a grandpa.

Georgie died on Saturday, August 7, 2021, at his home in Lowry at the age of 87. He is survived by his wife, Rose of Lowry; children, Thomas (Lisa) Athey of Milbank, SD, Patrick Athey of Big Stone City, SD, Barbara (David) VanHout of Milbank, SD, Kurt (Tammy) Athey of Brookings, SD, and Lori (Mike) Goergen of Plymouth; twenty-one grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren; sisters, Dorothy Dotts of Gulf Port, MS, Evie (Earl) Beyer of Starbuck, and Ginny (Rich) Stattelman of Clinton; and many nieces and nephews. George is preceded in death by his son, Brian Carlson; parents, Lyle and Mary; seven brothers; and two sisters.

Fisherman's Prayer

God grant that I may
Live to fish,
Until my dying day,
And when it comes
To my last cast,
I then most humbly pray,
When in the Lord's
Safe landing net,
I'm peacefully asleep,
That in his mercy I be judged,
As big enough to keep.

In Memory of
George P. Athey
June 21, 1934
✝
August 7, 2021

Memorial Service
Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota
Wed. August 11, 2021
1:00 PM

Officiant
Reverend Andrew League

Music
Daddy's Hands - Holly Dunn
Go Rest High On The Mountain - Vince Gill
I Saw The Light - Hank Williams Sr.

Honorary Urn Bearers
George's Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

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The family thanks everyone for their attendance here today and for your love and support.

Everyone is welcome to stay for lunch and fellowship after the service.

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