

Leonard Anderson was born January 20, 1926 in Alexandria, MN to Hoder and Mae (nee Erickson) Anderson. He passed away July 2, 2018 at the age of 92 at the Galeon Home in Osakis surrounded by family members.

Leonard was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and attended Hazel Hill country school through the eighth grade. An altruistic man that was kind and thought of ways to serve others, he was proud of his military service in WWII where he was stationed in Japan for a year and a half before being honorably discharged from the United States Army. On June 4, 1948, Leonard married Ruth Harbig and the couple were blessed with six children. A true farm boy, Leonard loved to farm the fields of North Dakota for farmers in the area around Ruth's home town. Early in 1950 they returned to Alexandria where they spent the rest of their lives. Ruth and Leonard worked side by side raising their children and taking care of their home. Not one to shy away from hard work, Leonard could be found working as a mechanic for various companies such as Unruh Motors, Joe Johnson's 76, Ollies Service, and North Star Service. The last 15 years of his working career were spent as a grounds and maintenance worker at Lake Carlos State Park. Leonard enjoyed camping at many Minnesota state parks with family and spent many hours fishing on Lake Victoria where he had grown up.

He is preceded in death by his parents, wife of 64 years, Ruth Anderson and son-in-law Richard Buddy. Leonard and his kindness will be missed by children: Wanda Buddy of Benson, Lenny & wife Jo of Long Prairie, Elwood (Woody) of Alexandria, Marlin of Alexandria, Mark & wife, Karyn of Alexandria, and Larry & wife Marlene of St. Cloud; sixteen grandchildren; twenty-four great grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Lillian Anderson of Alexandria.

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 Loving Memory of

Leonard Anderson

January 20, 1926



July 2, 2018

Funeral Service

First Lutheran Church
Alexandria, Minnesota
Thursday, July 12, 2018
11AM



Celebrant

Reverend Greg Billberg

Casket Bearers

Rory Buddy Keith Anderson
Kevin Anderson Jana Buss
Michael Anderson Evan Anderson

Honorary Casket Bearers

All of Len's Grandchildren
Great Grandchildren

Burial

Evergreen Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota

Arrangements By

Anderson Funeral Home ~ Alexandria, MN