Remembering the Life....

Dr. James Lueders, 84, passed away on Saturday, July 20, 2024, surrounded by devoted family at his beloved Evansville farm. Jim was born February 13, 1940, in Wadena, Minnesota to Fred and Clara Lueders. He was preceded in death by his parents, two older sisters, Marraine Miller and Ardell Thompson, son Jimmy, and grandson Benjamin Balgaard. Jim was a graduate of Henning High School (1958) and the University of Minnesota Medical School (1965). On July 23, 1961, he married his high school sweetheart, Charlotte Danielson. Jim's faith in Christ, which he first professed at an early age, served as the cornerstone of his life.

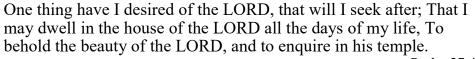
In 1966, Jim established a medical clinic in Evansville in response to the community's earnest and resolute efforts to recruit and support a local doctor. As such, he served the area for 28 years. He then provided care through the Emergency Room of the Douglas County Hospital in Alexandria for an additional 8 years. His heart to serve also motivated him to hold long-term posts on local school, church, and hospital boards.

After his retirement, Jim enjoyed settling into his life on the farm. His horses kept him busy, as did the steady stream of grandchildren and great grandchildren passing through to say hello, watch a rodeo, or jump on the hay bales. After delivering over 600 babies professionally, Jim was often seen with a smile on his face as he tenderly held a new member of the Lueders family.

A high-school relay-track-team member, Jim passes the baton of his legacy of faith and love to his cherished posterity. In addition to his wife Charlotte, Jim is survived by daughters Cheri (Stan) Balgaard, Chrisy (Troy) Bates, Cathy (Randy) Johnson, and Cindy (Mark) Biller, son Jon (Diane) Lueders, 17 grandchildren, and 20 greatgrandchildren.

Blessed be the Memory of Dr. James Lueders

Dr. James Lueders February 13, 1940 ~ July 20, 2024



Taking Off His Boots One Last Time

There they were. In the mudroom off the kitchen, amongst the piles of sneakers, sandals, and slip-ons, were Grandpa's well-worn cowboy boots. His trademark choice of footwear that he was rarely seen without.

Those boots had witnessed a selfless doctor spend hours in a hospital room caring for patients. A hardworking farmer doing chores each day and a devoted believer, worshiping God with every fiber of this being. Only those boots could tell the tale of a simple man who chose to honor the Almighty and love his family well.

So, on that day when he was called to heaven, the Lord bent before him and removed his wellworn boots for the final time. Then welcoming Grandpa in His arms, the Savior cupped his face with his nail pierced hands and said, "Well done." For he had completed his last hospital rounds and his last set of morning chores. It was now time for his boots to be removed so he could walk on holy ground.

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. I ask you to forgive my sins and invite You to come into my heart and life as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Celebration of Life Wednesday, July 31, 2024 Destiny Church Ashby, Minnesota

Destiny Worship TeamProcessional
Welcome and Opening PrayerPastor Samuel R. Quernemoen
Scripture ReadingJon Lueders
Congregational singingTo God Be the Glory Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Family Sharing Memories
Congregational singingThe Goodness of God
MessagePastor Steven R. Quernemoen
Stan BalgaardOn Christ the Solid Rock I Stand
Destiny Worship TeamThe Blessing
Recorded Prayer by Doc
RecessionalName Above All Names By Chuck Girard

The Dr. Lueders family want to thank you for your attendance today. Your expressions of love in words and deeds are deeply appreciated. A big thank you to the Destiny Worship Team also. Please join us for lunch and sharing of memories immediately following the service today in the fellowship hall.