

## God's Farm

God needs someone in heaven  
To plow and plant the rows.  
And when He calls on me,  
I know that I must go.  
Remember that I won't be gone,  
I will just be away,  
Working on God's farm  
'till we're united again one day.  
There will be no storms in heaven  
And the fields are long and straight.  
When it's time for you to join me,  
I'll be waiting inside heaven's gate.  
Remember, until the day arrives,  
When once more our lives we'll share,  
To look in the green fields growing  
And you'll see me working there.

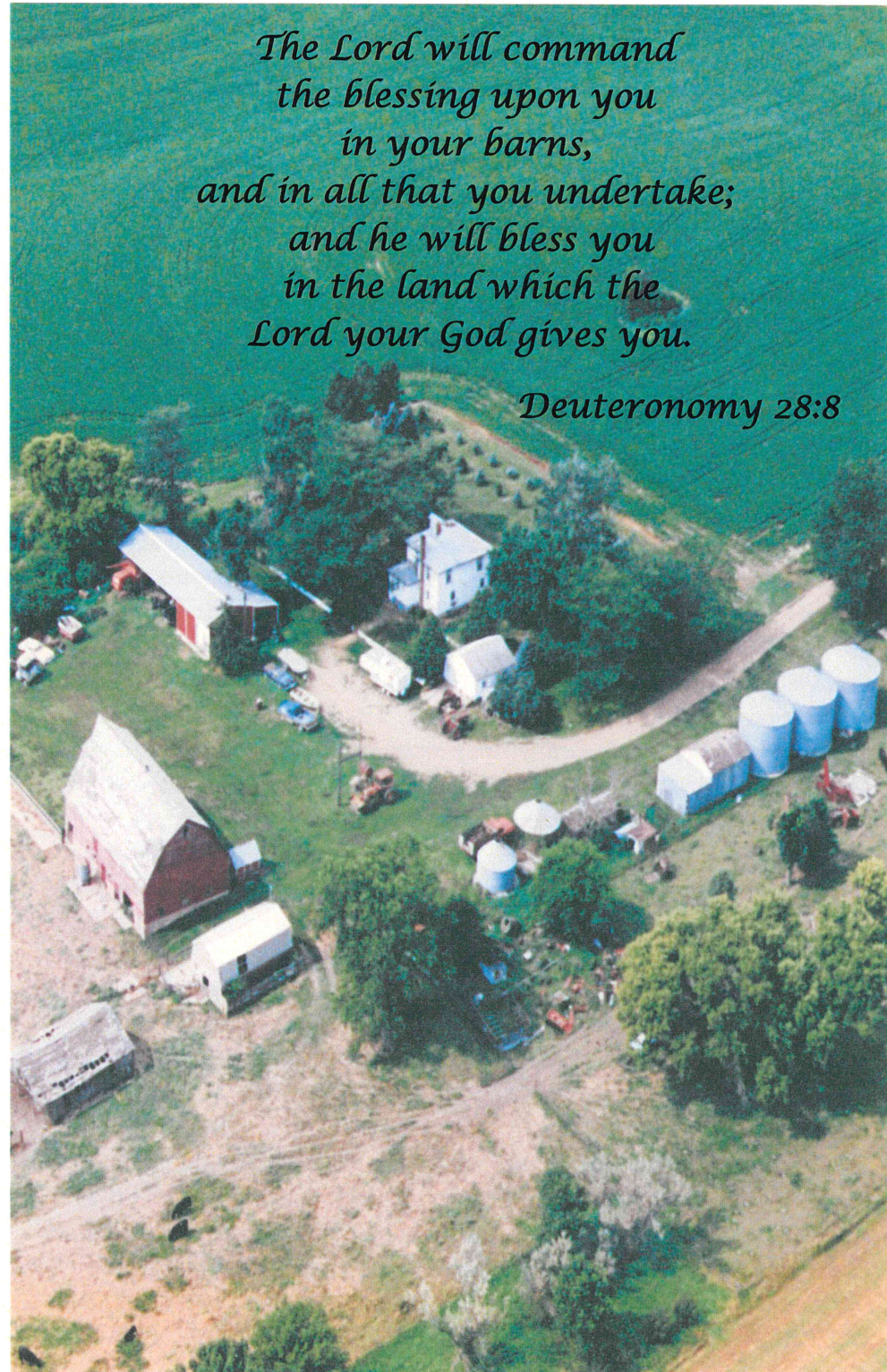
## Gone Fishing

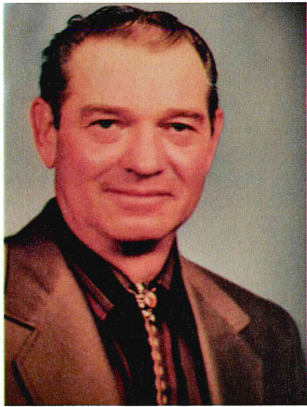
I've finished life's chores assigned to me,  
so put me on a boat headed out to sea.  
Please send along my fishing pole  
for I've been invited to the fishin' hole.  
Where every day is a day to fish,  
to fill your heart with every wish.  
Don't worry, or feel sad for me,  
I'm fishin' with the master of the sea.



*The Lord will command  
the blessing upon you  
in your barns,  
and in all that you undertake;  
and he will bless you  
in the land which the  
Lord your God gives you.*

*Deuteronomy 28:8*





Howard Eugene Schoellerman was born September 23, 1940, on a farm 4 miles east of Ireton, Iowa, the son of John and Hazel (Johnson) Schoellerman. He attended Logan Country School, and he enjoyed working more than anything he could learn from a book, and so he went through the 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

Howard married Jule Charma Lee Pliska on March 5, 1960, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hawarden, Iowa. Together they farmed east of Alcester in Union County, South Dakota, where they raised their two sons, Randy and Kevin. Howard had been a farmer from the time he was able to put a horse to a plow. He really enjoyed working with the land. Over the years, they had chickens, pigs, and cattle, but he really enjoyed watching the crops grow.

Besides enjoying the farm life, he really enjoyed hunting faith antelopes and fishing. When his sons were small, they would do the chores up quick and head to the Sioux River to catch channel catfish. He taught both Randy and Kevin about hunting and fishing. They really had some fun times telling “Big” fish stories.

Going on vacation to Branson, Missouri to see his Aunt Bertha was a great time for the whole family, they went fishing and to Silver Dollar City. They always had trout for breakfast. Many trips were also made to the Black Hills or Pickstown for camping and fishing.

Howard’s family would like to give special thanks to Norma Petry and Karen Weyen for their kindness in sending notes, their visits, and making it a point to keep up Howard’s spirits. Howard passed away on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at Ava’s Hospice House in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the age of 83.

He is survived by his wife, Jule; son, Kevin and wife Julie of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; 5 grandchildren, Hillary (Chad) Andrews of Beresford, South Dakota, Whitney Schoellerman of Cranston, Rhode Island, Erin (Collin) Zwart of Miller, South Dakota, John (Veronica Witts) Schoellerman of Beresford, and Katie (Travis) Gerlach of Baltic, South Dakota; 3 great-grandchildren, Carilee, Oakleigh, and Elliana; sister, Joyce Clay of Beresford; brother, Gordon (Donna) Schoellerman of Alcester, South Dakota; Jule’s siblings and nephews and nieces.

Howard was preceded in death by his parents; son, Randy on September 13, 2022; and brother-in-law, Darrel Clay.

*In Loving Memory Of*  
**Howard Eugene Schoellerman**

September 23, 1940 ✝ March 21, 2024

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

10:30 a.m. Friday, April 5, 2024  
Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS  
Hawarden, Iowa

**OFFICIATING**

Rev. Joshua Lowe

**ORGANIST**

Kyla Knutson

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS**

“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”  
“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

**HONORARY CASKET BEARERS**

Hillary Andrews ~ Whitney Schoellerman  
Erin Zwart ~ John Schoellerman ~ Katie Gerlach

**CASKET BEARERS**

Danny Schoellerman ~ Shawn Pliska  
Eric Dubbelde ~ Daniel Knutson  
Otto Gaher ~ Christopher Gaher

**INTERMENT**

Grace Hill Cemetery  
Hawarden, Iowa

*Please join Howard’s family for lunch and fellowship in the church basement following the committal service.*