

Robert Melvin Golnitz, 79, of Long Prairie, Minn., was called to his eternal heavenly home on Thursday, October 25, 2018, in Alexandria, Minn. He was born in Afton Township, Iowa on February 4, 1939, to Melvin and Erna (Honsbruch) Golnitz. He was baptized into Christ shortly thereafter. He confirmed his faith at Zion Lutheran Church in Ellendale, N.D. on March 29, 1953. Robert graduated college from Concordia in Seward, Neb., and then accepted a call to Trinity Lutheran School in Long Prairie on February 4, 1962. Robert married his high school sweetheart Myrna Larson on June 23, 1963, in Frederick, S.D.

Robert spent his whole life witnessing as God's servant through teaching, leading as a school principal, working for the Minnesota North District of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church, and guest preaching as well as sharing his love of sports and the outdoors.

"Goldie" followed his children's and grandchildren's sports and 4-H endeavors with great interest and unfailing encouragement. He was most "at home" while puttering around the farm, taking care of the livestock and, lately, keeping his chickens happy and laying. Myrna and Goldie took great pride in their garden and its bounty that they shared with friends and family. After moving to Minnesota, Goldie started a tradition that introduced many of his friends and neighbors to South Dakota pheasant hunting around Frederick. That tradition continues today.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, uncles, aunts, and nephew Darrin Golnitz. Survivors include wife, Myrna; brothers: Marlin (Shirley), Darrell (Mary), David (Naomi); nieces and nephews: Keri Purpura, Melody Harper, John Golnitz, Melody Golnitz; children: Lucy (Jeff) Roste, Liz (Neil) Perryman, Randy (Stephanie) Golnitz, Laura (David) Kruse, Lana (Jonathan) Henry; grandchildren: Jazmin, Jana, Jaran, Jacy Roste; Taylor, Bailey, Riley, Brady Perryman; Rachel Golnitz; Chanel Kruse; Danielle, Tyler Henry; grandnephew: Evan Harper.

*Jesus said,
"I am the resurrection
and the life;
he who believes in me,
though he die,
yet shall he live,
and whoever lives
and believes in me
shall never die."*

John 11:25, 26

In Loving Memory of

**Robert "Bob"
Golnitz**

February 4, 1939



October 25, 2018

Funeral Service

Zion Lutheran Church
Alexandria, Minnesota

Friday, Nov. 2, 2018

2:00 PM



Officiant

Reverend Terry Finnern

Musical Selections By

Laurie Krueger

David Golnitz

Robert's Grandchildren

Casket Bearers

Tim Kroll

Mark Urman

Paul Urman

Kevin Johnson

John Smith

Milo Drevlow

Interment

Wayside Cemetery
Frederick, South Dakota

Arrangements

Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota