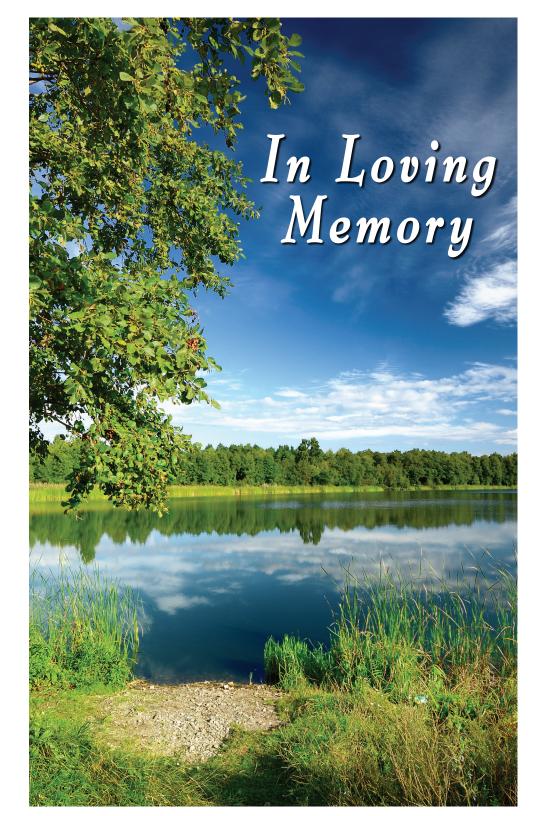


My heart longs every fall to return home to the woods along the Missouri. The majestic cotton woods, stately and tall like sentinels watching over the softly carpeted forest floor. There is a quiet peaceful solitude mingled with the warmth of the sun shining thru the colored leaves and the smell of growing things and damp decay. The ash and willow trees are covering tangled vines, ferns, and grass. They are home for the wild grapes and bittersweet. Also a wonderful home for the deer and pheasants. Off in the distance you can hear a pheasant call or a deer whistle to its mate. I've taken this walk every fall whether there or in my memories.

~ Delores A. Olsen ~





**Richard Steffenson**, 93, Mandan, died March 18, 2020 at Miller Pointe Care Center, Mandan.

Richard was born November 18, 1926 in New Salem to Morris and Emma (Nagel) Steffenson. He attended school in Center, ND, Colorado Springs, CO, and graduated from Mandan High School in 1944. Following high school, Richard farmed with his Dad and in October 1945 he enlisted in the US Army. Richard was

honorably discharged in 1947 and returned home to help his Dad on the farm. On September 26, 1948 Richard married Shirley Richardson. They farmed for 39 years, sharing their life and raising their family. Later they moved to Minneapolis where Richard worked at a law firm. They returned to Mandan in 1999. Shirley passed away in 2017, she and Richard were married for nearly 69 years. Richard was a member of First Lutheran Church of Mandan, the Elks, Eagles, and American Legion.

Blessed to have shared in his life is his daughter, Susan (Clarence) Voigt, Mandan; six grandchildren, Julie (Max) Lazinger, Columbia, MO, Mike (Tina) Steffenson, Bismarck, Roxanne (Collin) Jablonsky, Bismarck, Lisa Voigt, High Point, NC, David Steffenson, Bismarck, and Danielle (Noah) Kraft, Colorado Springs, CO; and nine great grandchildren, Kale Steffenson, Skyler LaFave, Ashley and Emily Steffenson, Arial and Erin Kraft, and Abby Jablonsky, Maayan and Ari Lazinger.

Richard was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley; son, Rick Steffenson; his parents; brothers, Harold and Albert Steffenson; sisters, Evelyn Ennis and Viola Westall; and grandson, Marius.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Richard.

**Graveside Memorial Service** Thursday, June 25, 2020; 2:00 PM

Sanger Cemetery

Oliver County, North Dakota

**Officiant** Pastor Dan Paulson

Special Music Pfliiger Sisters

## CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF RICHARD STEFFENSON

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Music "Shall We Gather At The River"

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Readings Romans 8:35, 37-39

Revelation 21:1-7

Matthew 11:28-30

Sermon

Music "Just A Closer Walk With Thee"

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Closing Song "On Eagle's Wings"

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