

Remembering the Life of

Dale Fredrick Kalpin was born on June 21, 1937, in Parkers Prairie, Minnesota the son of John and Lorna (Brockopp) Kalpin. He was baptized (July 18, 1937) and confirmed (May 20, 1951) at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Parkers Prairie.

In October of 1961 Dale was united in marriage to Donna Rediehs in Carlos, Minnesota. After their marriage the couple farmed in Parkers Prairie and Dale also drove milk truck. In 1976 he started his shoe repair business in Alexandria that later became Kalpin's Boots & Saddles. In September of 1987 Dale started driving school bus – a job he loved for the next 36 years. He truly cared for the kids on his bus and they for him – a relationship that lasted throughout their lives.

Dale had a love for horses and through his business would support the local Saddle Club. He was also on the Alexandria City Council from 1992-2006, and a volunteer at the Alexandria food Shelf. One of Dale's greatest accomplishments was receiving his GED at the age of 60 – this inspired many others to do the same.

Dale died on Saturday, September 9, 2023. He is survived by his wife, Donna; daughters: Pamela (James) Lippert, June (Rick) Nelson, Penny (David) Messner; 8 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren; sisters: Lois (Donald) Sjobeck, Karen Meidl.

He was preceded in death by his parents, grandchild, baby Messner, great granddaughter, Harlow Elizabeth Nelson, sister, Bonita Swanson.



Dale F. Kalpin

1937 ~ 2023

God, looked around the garden,

And found an empty space.

He Looked down upon the earth

And saw your tired face. He put

His arms around you

And lifted you to rest

God's garden must be beautiful

For he only takes the BEST.

He knew that you were weary,

And He knew that you were in pain.

He knew that you would never

Be well on earth again.

He saw the roads were getting rough,

And the hills were hard to climb.

So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered

Peace be Thine

IN LOVING
Memory

Dale F. Kalpin

June 21, 1937 † September 9, 2023

Memorial Service

Zion Lutheran Church

Alexandria, Minnesota

Saturday, September 16, 2023

11:00 AM

Officiant

Pastor Matthew Lorenz

Organist

Lynette Finnern

Inurnment

Kinkead Cemetery

Alexandria, Minnesota

