

## Final Harvest

He was bound to the land from the day of his birth His roots anchored deep in the fertile earth Nurtured, sustained, by the soil he grew And his life, like his furrows, ran straight and true.

In faith, each spring, he planted the seeds
In hope, to reap his family's needs
With patience, he waited for the harvest to come
To gather the fruits of his labor home.

Ever turning seasons, the years sped past
Til the final harvest came at last
Then claimed anew by beloved sod
He was gathered home to be with God.

—Barbara W. Weber

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Robert Gene Ringger

WHO WAS BORN January 15, 1938 Mondovi, Wisconsin

### AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

November 20, 2023 Graceville, Minnesota

#### **FUNERALSERVICE**

Monday, November 27, 2023 11:30 a.m. Trinity-Mt. Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church Johnson, Minnesota

> OFFICIANT Reverend Donald Main

MUSICIANS Phyllis Joos, Organist Hayden Ringger, Vocalist

#### **HONORARY BEARERS**

Robert's Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews

#### **MILITARY HONORS**

American Legion Post #297 Graceville, Minnesota

#### **INTERMENT**

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery Johnson, Minnesota

#### **APPRECIATION**

Roberts's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the graveside service, please join the family in the church dining room for a time of food and fellowship.

ARRANGEMENTS BY
Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home
Graceville, Minnesota

Robert Gene Ringger was born on January 15, 1938, in Mondovi, Wisconsin. He was the son of Melvin and Anga (Quarberg) Ringger. In 1941 and at the age of three, Robert moved with his family to a farm near Dumont, MN. Robert would remain on this farm for almost his entire life. He attended District 59 Country School and graduated from Graceville High School. He continued his education at the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science. Robert served in the Army National Guard, 175<sup>th</sup> Charlie Battalion.

Robert was united in marriage with Margaret Marie Wulff on September 26, 1964, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Johnson, MN. They made their home on the Ringger family homestead. They were blessed with two children: Dana Margaret and Daniel Robert.

Robert loved his career in farming. He was a grain farmer and raised livestock, farming until he was 81 years old. He enjoyed the company of his friends. Together, they spent many hours hunting, fishing, golfing, and bowling. He adored his grandchildren and great-grandchildren and was still able to crawl on the floor with them! During the past 20 years, Robert tremendously enjoyed woodworking. He built mission style furniture. He never sold his pieces, but took great pleasure in gifting them to others. His family will cherish the beautiful furniture that he made.

Robert Ringger is survived by his two children: Dana (Dean) Gary of Moorhead, MN; and Daniel (Melissa) Ringger of Duluth, MN; four grandchildren: Ralee Margaret (Michael) Evans, Evan Bradford Gary, Hayden Robert Ringger, and Hannah Karol Ringger; two great-grandchildren: Aurora Margaret Evans and Sullivan David Evans; several god-children; 14 nieces and six nephews; siblings: Douglas (JoAnn) Ringger of Newton, IA; Jane (Rich) Matthews of Sartell, MN; and Marlene (Mike) Jacobson of Elko New Market, MN. He was preceded in death by his parents: Melvin and Anga Ringger; his wife, Margaret in 2022; father-in-law and mother-in-law: Walter and Lydia Wulff; brother and sister-in-law: Anthony and Gloria Ringger; sister-in-law, Lydia Karen Wulff; and niece, Kelly Golombiecki.

