

**CLOSE THE GATE**

For this one farmer the worries are over,  
lie down and rest your head,  
Your time has been and struggles enough,  
put the tractor in the shed.

Years were not easy, many downright hard,  
but your faith in God transcended,  
Put away your tools and sleep in peace.  
The fences have all been mended.

You raised a fine family, worked the land well  
and always followed the Son,  
Hang up your shovel inside of the barn;  
your work here on earth is done.

A faith few possess led your journey through life,  
often a jagged and stony way,  
The sun is setting, the cattle are bedded,  
and here now is the end of your day.

You always believed that the Lord would provide  
and He always had somehow,  
Take off your gloves and put them down,  
no more sweat and worry for you now.

Your labor is done, your home now is heaven;  
no longer must you wait,  
Your legacy lives on, your love of the land,  
and we will close the gate.

*Celebrating the life of*

**Dean George Yohnke**

Nov. 16, 1934 – Dec. 1, 2020 Age: 86 years

**SERVICES**

Sunday, Dec. 6, 2020  
2:00 pm

**OFFICIANT**

Rev. Mark Schwarz

**INTERMENT**

Trinity Cemetery

Carlos, MN

**CASKET BEARERS**

His ten grandchildren

**MILITARY HONORS**

MN Honor Guard, American Legion Post #87 and  
Veteran of Foreign Wars Post #936

**SURVIVED BY HIS LOVING FAMILY**

Wife, Eleanor Yohnke; his children and their  
spouses, Nancy & Lonny Collins, Charles 'Chuck'  
& Sandy Yohnke, Ronald 'Fred' & Donna  
Yohnke; 10 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren;  
his sister, Janice & Luther Myhr; sister-in-law,  
Dorothy Yohnke; many nieces and nephews.  
Dean is preceded in death by his parents and a  
brother, Donald Yohnke.



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