

**Raymond Valentine Kurtz** was born on February 24, 1930 in Lefor, North Dakota to Nick and Anna (Schneider) Kurtz. He attended country school through the eighth grade. In his younger years, he trapped mink and used the money he earned to buy his first accordion. Music was a huge part of Ray's life from that point forward. Ray married Ann Flohr on October 9, 1951. The couple farmed outside of Lefor until they moved to town, where Ray worked as the school janitor and Ann was the cook. Ray had the honor of being the Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus in Lefor in 1975. The couple had two children, Patricia and Michael. In 1976, after the kids graduated, the family moved to Dickinson. After moving to Dickinson, Ray worked at the south side filling station, and later worked as the warehouse manager for Farmers Union. Throughout the years, he kept up with his band. They played for weddings and anniversaries, sometimes for the same couple. In 2003, Ann passed away. Ray reconnected with his high school friend, Geraldine Reindel. The two stayed together for 21 years, up until the time of Ray's passing. Ray enjoyed playing cards and shooting pool. All of his family and friends will greatly miss him. Ray is survived by his special friend, Geraldine Reindel; children, Patricia (Lyle) Lien and Michael Kurtz; grandchildren, Andrea Werlinger, Justin Werlinger, and Kimberly (Bryan) Breitling; and his great-grandchildren, Alaina, Kayla, Haylee, and Brindey. He is preceded in death by his wife, Ann; parents, Nick and Anna; and his sister, Pauline.



# Raymond Kurtz

February 24, 1930 - September 29, 2024



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## FUNERAL LITURGY

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 10:00 am  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## ROSARY

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 9:30 am  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## OFFICIATING

Deacon Ross Reiter

## PALLBEARERS

Clifton Walters      Justin Werlinger  
Bryan Breitling      James Krebs  
Jerry Krebs      Kevin Nitschke  
Wayne Kemmet

## INTERMENT

St. Elizabeth's Cemetery  
Lefor, North Dakota

## ARRANGEMENTS BY

Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

*Refreshments will be served in the fellowship  
room immediately following the service.*

*Everyone is welcome.*

