God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be; So He put his arms around you "Come with Me".

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer and saw you fade away.

Although we LOVED YOU DEARLY we could not make you stay.

A GOLDEN HEART stopped beating hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us

He only takes the best!

# Celebrating THE Life OF Gary Boysen

DECEMBER 4, 1945 - MARCH 14, 2024

#### Services At:

St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Lowry, Minnesota Friday - March 22, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

## Officiating Clergy:

Reverend Bryan Taffe

### Musician:

Ann Foley

#### Soloists:

Jenna (Seest) Picray Angie Reichmann

### Pallbearers:

Donald Dullum, Ryan Erpelding, Loren Boysen Mark Femrite, Greg Kugler, Earl Seeba

# **Honorary Pallbearers:**

Rod "Copper" Petrie, Paul Aubart

# **Military Rites:**

Lowry American Legion & VFW Minnesota Army Honor Guard

#### Interment:

St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery Lowry, Minnesota

**Gary Walter Boysen** of Farwell/Lowry, Minnesota, departed this life at 10:00 p.m. on March 14 at the age of 78, in the comfort of his own home, with the care of hospice, and enveloped by the love of his family.

Gary Walter Boysen was born December 4, 1945, the 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Boyd Boysen and Irene (Olson Boysen) Holen. He grew up in the Lowry area along with his brothers and sisters, and graduated from Starbuck High School in 1964. He was drafted into the US Army and served from November 10, 1965 to November 9, 1967. While in the Army he received the National Defense Service Medal, Marksmanship Medal for rifles, and the Good Conduct Medal. After his service, he returned to the family farm near Lowry, MN and farmed with his brothers Boyd Jr. and Glen. He met his future wife, Shirley Bartholomew, at the Lakeside Ballroom in 1968, and they were married May, 17, 1969. Gary was introduced to road construction by Ken Johnson, launching over 50 years in the construction business which continues to this day through his son Dale. When not on a bulldozer or grader, Gary enjoyed farming, fishing, hunting, and black powder rifle shootings at area rendezvous.

Gary is survived by his wife: Shirley Boysen of 54 years of Farwell/Lowry; sons: Mark (April) Boysen of Edina, and Dale (Angie) Boysen of Starbuck; daughter: Julie (Doug) Seest of Worden, IL; brother: Glen (Pat) Boysen of Mesa, AZ; sisters: Hellen (Don) Dullum, and Cathy (Harold) Erpelding; and granddaughters: Jenna (Nathan) Picray, and Kayla (Tristan) Jones.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents: Boyd Boysen and Irene (Olson Boysen) Holen; and brother Boyd Boysen Jr.







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