

Harold was born on November 24, 1934, in Breckenridge, MN, to Robert and Pearl (Peterson) Ford. He grew up in rural Mooreton, ND, attended school at Barney Township, and Wyndmere Public School.

In 1954, Harold enlisted in the United States Army. He was stationed for 6 months at Fort Leonard, in Wood, MO, then at Fort Knox, KY. During that time, Harold served our country in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in 1956.

On March 30, 1958, he was united in marriage to Mavis Schnabel in Aberdeen, SD. The couple would come back to Mooreton to make their home on the family farm. They were blessed with four children, Rick, Randy, Renae, and Rachelle. Harold would continue to do what was in his blood, which was farming. He also served on the Red River Telephone Board for many years. Harold was very active within his church and community.

Harold was known to all to be a kind and gentle man. Spending time with family was very important to him. He also enjoyed playing cards, Pinochle and Whist being his favorites. Harold would go to the Senior Citizens Center in Wyndemere, ND, at least 2 times a week to play. He also enjoyed going to the Dairy Queen, his favorite, and he knew where they were all located within the tri-state area.

Years after Mavis' passing in 2001, Harold became special friends with Carol Betty Simdorn. The two would go on to enjoy traveling, playing cards, and enjoying life together.

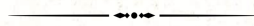
Harold is survived by his children, Rick (Kristi) Ford, Randy Ford, Renae (Terry) Duval; grandchildren, Jaelyn (Dustin) Stroehl, Bryan Ford (fiancé, Taylor Kloster), Amber Dahl (fiancé, Shayne Mattern), Jessica (Chad) Chamberlain; great-grandchildren, Blakely, Parker, Emily and Rylan; brother, Gene (Marcia) Ford; special companion, Carol Betty Simdorn, and her family; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Pearl; wife, Mavis; daughter, Rachelle Marie; siblings, Richard Ford, Dennis Ford, and Carol Burnside.

In lieu of flowers, family asks that donations be made to Mooreton Lutheran Church or the charity of your choice.



Harold E. Ford
1934 - 2023



In Remembrance

In Loving Memory

Harold Eugene Ford

BORN

November 24, 1934 | Breckenridge, Minnesota

Passed Away

September 9, 2023 | Fargo, North Dakota

Age

88 Years | 9 Months | 16 Days

Funeral Service

10:30 AM | Thursday, September 14, 2023
Bethel Lutheran Church | Wahpeton, North Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Gordon Lee

Organist

Mary Jane Pauly

Scripture Readings

Micah 6:8 | Ecclesiastics 3:1-8 | Romans 12:9-18 | John 14:1-4

Congregational Hymns

Hymn No. 781 | "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Hymn No. 779 | "Amazing Grace"

Hymn No. 666 | "What Wondrous Love is This"

Hymn No. 856 | "How Great Thou Art"

Pallbearers

Bryan Ford | Dustin Stroehl | Jeff Ford

Scott Ford | Tim Ford | Lyle Ellingson

Military Honors

Mooreton Sons of the American Legion Robert Bergman Post 283
North Dakota Funeral Honors Team

Interment

St. John's Lutheran Cemetery | Mooreton, North Dakota



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.