

Remembering the life of...

Peter S. Laternus, 89 of Munich, ND passed away on May 09, 2024 at CHI, St Alexius Health, Devils Lake Hospital.

Peter Sebastian was born on December 30, 1934, in Wilkin, Saskatchewan, Canada, one of 13 children of Sylvester and Gunda (Steffan) Laternus. He was the third youngest of the family. In 1945 the family moved to a farm near Starkweather, North Dakota and later to Cando, North Dakota where Pete attended Metcalf County school through the 8th grade. Several years later the family moved to a farm near Clyde, North Dakota. Pete obtained his U.S. citizenship in 1960.

Pete worked with his brother-in-law, Elmer Mueller for many years doing plumbing and heating work. When Elmer retired, Pete started his own plumbing and heating business along with farming for many years at Calio, N.D. He so loved the farm and could build and fix almost anything. He also enjoyed making his rounds on the farm in his golf cart. He built a go kart for his children and it has gone through all the grandchildren and now great grandchildren. It has been one of the many highlights of the kids going to the farm. Pete enjoyed his annual fishing trips with family and his many buddies over the years, as well as spending time with family at the cabin at Red Willow.

Pete and Donna met at a dance in Calio and on November 19th, 1956 were married at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Calio. They attended church in Calio and later St. Mary's Catholic Church in Munich. Throughout their married years they were on the dance floor often, dancing to their treasured waltzes and polkas. In later years they loved listening to the Sayler's Polka Place music every Sunday afternoon, and looked forward to occasional trips to the casino.

Pete was an active member of St. Boniface and St. Mary's Catholic Church, and was a life member of the Knights of Columbus.

Pete is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Donna, their children and spouses, Dean (Kim) Laternus, Munich, Daryl (Sandy Hendrickson) Laternus, Munich, Dennis (Lori) Laternus, Grand Forks, Steve (Donna) Laternus, Grand Forks, and Bonnie (Al) Wald, Bismarck along with 11 grandchildren; Deanna (Jeff), Heidi (Troy), Kayla (Brant); Amanda (Tyler); Justin (Jessica), Rebecca (Justin), Matthew (special friend Emily); Mitchel, Conner, Emma, Dominic and 14 great grandchildren, sister-in-law, Helen Laternus and many nieces and nephews.

Pete was preceded in death by his parents, nine brothers and three sisters. Brothers Paul, Fred, George, John, Joseph, Frank, Ed, Martin, and Wendell; sisters Regina Schall, Annie Hoffart- Schiele and Betty Schiele; in-laws John and Margaret Mueller.

Remembering With Love

Pete Laternus



*Our Treasured Husband, Dad, Grandpa,
Great Grandpa, Brother, Uncle, Cousin,
Faithful Servant and Child of God*

Peter Sebastian Laturus

December 30, 1934 ~ May 9, 2024

ROSARY AND SCRIPTURE SERVICE

Gilbertson Funeral Home Chapel

Devils Lake, North Dakota

Monday, May 13, 2024 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Rosary led by Eugene Goeser

Led by Reverend Mr. Ken Severinson, Deacon

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Munich, North Dakota

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 ~ 10:30 a.m.

CELEBRANT

Very Reverend Brian Moen

SPECIAL MUSIC

St. Mary's Choir

Lori Beck, Pianist

LECTORS

Al Wald and Deanna Skaar

GIFT BEARERS

Grandchildren

Heidi Thorson, Deanna Skaar, Kayla Waege, Amanda Grohs,

Becky Nelson, Emma Wald, Dominic Wald

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST

Donna Laturus

CASKET BEARERS

Grandchildren

Matthew Laturus ~ Justin Laturus ~ Mitchel Wald ~ Conner Wald

and

Jeff Skaar ~ Tyler Grohs

HONORARY BEARERS

Pete's Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren

and long-time friend Eugene Haus

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST

St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery

Rural Calio, North Dakota

As Pete's family, we thank you so much for your many acts of kindness and prayerful support these past months. Please join us for fellowship in the dining hall following Mass and burial.

**When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this journey that we all must take
And each one must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.
Miss me-but let me go.**