"Every father should remember one day his son will follow his example, not his advice." — Charles F. Kettering

Today my dad passed away but I didn't lose my dad. He's been a part of me every day of my life and he'll be there tapping on my shoulder for the rest of my days. He was a constant teacher, sometimes subtle but sometimes he had to get straight to the point because of my thick head! One thing that never changed was his belief in me. He was always there for all of us. Life is full of struggles, tough decisions, and disappointment but my dad was unwavering in his ability to find the positives and the good in all things.

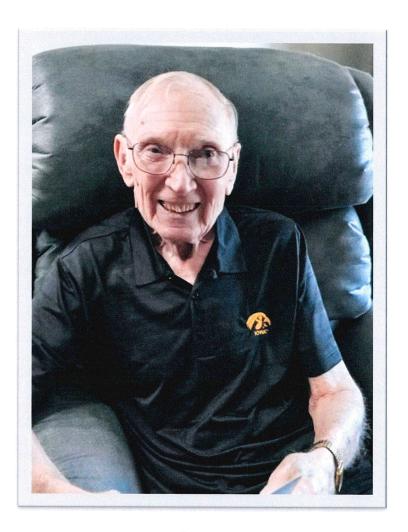
We grew up with limited material items and not always an overflowing dinner table. We went without many of the "things" that a lot of our friends had but we really never noticed because mom and dad just made life good! They always provided the most important riches, love, loyalty, and support.

My sisters and I sat beside dad in the hospital all week watching the greatest man we know slip away. We talked to him, prayed with him, and cried with him. The constant theme was, we all need to be more like dad. In a world full of divisiveness, hate, and negativity we should all find the good in nearly everything, like dad did. Our family, friends, and the community will miss him. I take solace in knowing he was generous enough with his kindness, faith, and love that we can all carry that forward.

Rest in peace dad....we love you



Celebrating The Life Of **Donald C. Dimmick**



October 12, 1936 May 31, 2024

Don was born on October 12, 1936, on the family farm in rural Akron. As an 8-yr old, his after-school chore was gathering wood to heat the family home. At this same age, he learned to drive while sitting on a peach crate in the family model-A. His two sisters, Margaret and Barb, enjoyed riding along in the rumble seat. He attended country school near Akron until age 13 and in 1949 the family moved to Hawarden. At age 16, Don learned to drive a gravel truck to help with the family business and at 18, Don graduated from Hawarden High School.

On June 26, 1959, Don married Marjorie Bauder. In June of this year (2024), they would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Anyone who knew Marge and Don always thought of them as one they were always together. They were life-long residents of Hawarden, Iowa.

Don was very grateful for having shared his life with his wife, Marge, of 64 years. Their marriage was blessed with four children: Lisa (Matt) Miller of Brookings SD, Lynn Baldwin of Kansas City, MO, Scott (Michelle) Dimmick of Kansas City, MO, and Dawn (Matt) Hummel of Hawarden. He is also survived by his two sisters, Margaret Berg of Omaha, NE and Barb Cain of Sioux City, IA and two brothers-in-law Darrell (Ruth) Bauder of Frazee, MN and Larry (Joann) Bauder of Hawarden. Don was also blessed with 7 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Don opened a Sears catalog store in downtown Hawarden in the early 1970's. After more than a decade as a small-town businessman, Don continued his career as an accountant at Siouxland Implement in Ireton, Iowa.

Don was a devoted member of Trinity Lutheran Church; his faith was very, very dear to him. Through the years of his children and grand-children growing up, Don loved attending West Sioux events and was also an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan. His greatest pleasure was spending time with his children and grandchildren. Those that knew Don, always appreciated his quick wit and sharp sense of humor. Don died peacefully on Friday, May 31, 2024, at the Hawarden Regional Healthcare Hospital surrounded by his four children, at the age of 87 years.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Hanna and Clifford Dimmick; his brothers-in-law, Kenneth Cain and John Berg; and sister -in-law, Dorothy Bauder.

In Loving Memory Of Donald Clifford Dimmick

PRAYER SERVICE

7:00 p.m. Sunday, June 2, 2024 Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS Hawarden, Iowa

MEMORIAL SERVICE

10:30 a.m. Monday, June 3, 2024 Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS Hawarden, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Joshua Lowe

ORGANIST

Julie Hummel

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"How Great Thou Art"
"Amazing Grace"
"It Is Well With My Soul"

Please join Don's family for lunch and fellowship at the Hawarden Community Center following the Memorial Service.