

*Melvin Mathias Winter was born on April 1, 1926 in Spring Hill Minnesota to Paul and Barbara Winter. Melvin had six siblings, Marie, Norb, Herb, Dorothea, Richard and Paul.*

*Melvin was united in marriage on September 18, 1952 to Agnes Courier at Our Lady of Seven Dolors Church in Millerville Minnesota. Melvin and Agnes resided in Willmar, Minnesota until 1965 when they moved to Roseville, Minnesota.*

*They were blessed with four children, one grandson and a son-in-law.*

*One word best described our dad, STRONG; he had a strong character, will, and physical presence. Many depended and called upon him and rarely if ever did he disappoint family friends and colleagues alike. His love was as strong as his character, he was there for sixty-five years to hold us up, and we will always miss him and his blue, blue eyes.*

*Melvin is survived by children, Mary Jo (Roland) Pfender of Wayzata, Joyce Winter of Roseville, and David Winter of Evansville; grandson, Kurt Pfender of Blaine; brothers, Norb and Paul Winter of St. Cloud; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.*

*Melvin was preceded in death by his wife Agnes, infant daughter Patricia Jean, parents Paul and Barbara, sisters Marie Stellmach and, Dorthea Winter, brothers, Herbert and Richard and nephews Ricky Winter and Kenny Bitzan.*

*When you're driving down a country road take the time to look at the wild flowers and think of Melvin as he found great joy in their beauty.*



*For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:*

*A time to be born, and a time to die;*

*A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;*

*A time to kill, and a time to heal;*

*A time to break down, and a time to build up;*

*A time to weep, and a time to laugh;*

*A time to mourn, and a time to dance;*

*A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;*

*A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;*

*A time to seek, and a time to lose;*

*A time to keep, and a time to cast away;*

*A time to tear, and a time to sew;*

*A time to keep silence, and a time to speak;*

*A time to love, and a time to hate;*

*A time for war, and a time for peace.*

*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

*In Memory of*

## **Melvin Mathias Winter**

April 1, 1926 † October 25, 2017

### **Mass of Christian Burial**

Our Lady of Seven Dolors Catholic Church

Millerville, Minnesota

Saturday, October 28, 2017 11:00 AM

### **Officiant**

Father Jeff Ethan

### **Eulogy**

John Stahley

### **Pianist**

Rachel Wagner

### **Special Music**

Voices of Joy

### **Casket Bearers**

Kurt Pfender

Aaron Bitzan

Louie Becker

Tim Bitzan

John Stahley

Paul Bitzan Jr.

### **Interment**

Our Lady of Seven Dolors Catholic Cemetery

Millerville, Minnesota

### **Military Honors**

Millerville Inspiration Peak Post #527

