

## Furrows And Fields

I spent my life in furrows and fields  
Working and tilling the land  
Observing the beauties created  
By God's almighty hand

I have touched the richness of soil  
I've born the wind and sun on my face  
And I would choose this life and this land  
Over any other place

A life filled with crimson-dawned mornings  
When I was up to greet the sky  
Days spent with family and creation  
All throughout my life

I was blessed to experience each springtime  
Where raindrops have washed the earth clean  
While summer's sun nurtured my harvests  
Fields bearing the lushness of green

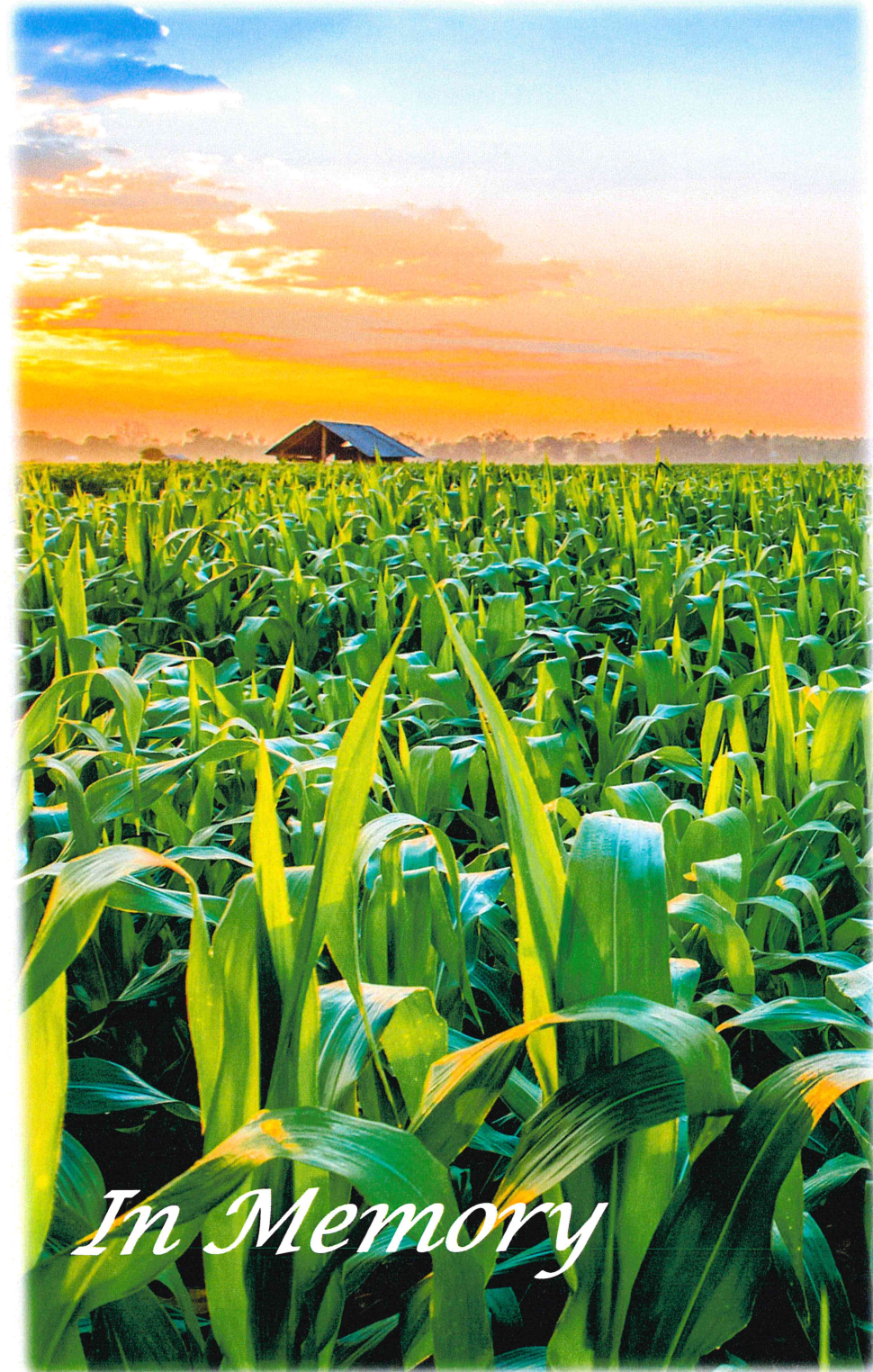
And my life's been strengthened by trials  
For the weak can never belong  
In a living where nature and the elements  
Form a body and a courage that's strong

Still, I've also been blessed with some miracles  
During trying times when I couldn't go on  
Until God sent me the help I needed  
And kept me right where I belonged

So having witnessed the power of God  
Upon my life and upon the seasons  
I know there's a purpose in everything  
Though sometimes we don't know the reasons

...And so my life must be no different  
Just like the crops that I have grown  
For I am also God's child and seed  
That at harvest must come home...

To share in the joy of His presence  
And to humbly kneel at His feet  
Entering into His joy, and His rest  
For a season of everlasting peace.





Creighton Albert Wegner was born on February 21, 1931 to Albert and Ruth (Brunskill) Wegner. He grew up on a farm NE of Hawarden and graduated Hawarden High School, a proud member of the “49er” class.

In January of 1951, Creighton joined the Air Force and stationed at the Francis E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

On September 9, 1951, he married the love of his life, Violet Emmers. They made their home in Cheyenne until November of 1952 when he was transferred to an airbase in Sioux City, Iowa. He was discharged in December of 1954.

After Creighton’s service in the Air Force, he returned to Hawarden and started farming. Together he and Vi raised livestock and grain crops. In 1980, he was on the executive board of Sioux County Cattle Feeders as a district representative for Eagle Township.

Creighton was a member of the United Methodist Church, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the American Legion, Bergstrom-Bodeen Post 128 of which he received a Certificate of Continuous Membership of 60 years and a Freedom Quilt.

In 1993, Creighton bought his parents’ house in Hawarden and he and Vi moved off the farm. After retirement from farming, Creighton got his real estate license and worked for the Gearhart Agency then later started a real estate business out of his home, The Wegner Agency. He also sold crop insurance and did crop adjusting for 26 years.

Creighton had many talents and loved talking with the people he met during his travels for work and pleasure. He especially loved the Black Hills of South Dakota. He and Vi joined a group there to dig up dinosaur bones and fossils. Coffee and cookies with his friends was his favorite past time.

After losing Vi in 2015, he remained in his home until a year ago when he moved to the Alcester Care and Rehab Center. Creighton went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at the age of 93 years. Preceding him in death was his wife, Vi of 64 years; 2 sisters, Gwen Doherty and Audrey Youngkin; and a granddaughter, Rita Wegner. He leaves behind his children, Craig (Julie) Wegner of Hawarden, Brad (Teri) Wegner of Crooks, South Dakota, Beth (Mark) VanderHelm of Canton, South Dakota, and Renee (Roger) Nelson of Sahuarita, Arizona; six grandchildren; many great grandchildren and a few great greats.

## *In Loving Memory Of Creighton Albert Wegner*

### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 6, 2024  
United Methodist Church  
Hawarden, Iowa

### **OFFICIATING**

Rev. Samuel Ansong, Hawarden United Methodist Church  
Chaplain Lee Lockwood, AseraCare Hospice

### **ORGANIST**

Julie Hummel

### **SOLOIST**

Maxine Barents

*“Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”*

### **CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

*“It Is Well With My Soul”*

### **CASKET BEARERS**

Simon VanderHelm ~ Casey White  
Chad Williams ~ Matthew Wegner  
Matt Youngkin ~ Jon Toft

### **MILITARY RITES**

Bergstrom Bodeen American Legion Post 128 of Hudson, South Dakota  
Offutt Air Force Base Honor Guard

### **INTERMENT**

Grace Hill Cemetery  
Hawarden, Iowa

*Please join Creighton’s family for lunch and fellowship in the church fellowship hall following the committal service.*