



## *Fold My Work*

*Fold my work and lay it away  
for this is the end of a last long day.  
Out of the clouds have come some tears,  
out of the shadow have come some fears.  
Always our Father's loving care,  
and the blessed privilege dear friends  
and loved ones do not sorrow,  
it's good night right now,  
but it's good morning tomorrow.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# *Lawrence Lavern Findlay*

WHO WAS BORN  
June 28, 1930  
Graceville, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME  
December 17, 2022  
Ortonville, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE  
Tuesday, December 20, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.  
Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Chapel  
Graceville, Minnesota

OFFICIATING  
Rev. Nathanael Biberdorf

MUSICIAN  
Deb Needham, Organist

CASKET BEARERS  
All of Lawrence's Grandchildren:  
Mitchell Findlay | Nicholas Findlay | Lucas Findlay  
Katie Johnson | Aaron Boyum | Brett Boyum | Kristin Boyum

HONORARY BEARERS  
All of Lawrence's Great-Grandchildren

MILITARY HONORS  
American Legion Post #302  
Beardsley, Minnesota

INTERMENT  
Wildwood Cemetery  
Wheaton, Minnesota

APPRECIATION  
Lawrence's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.  
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.  
Immediately following the service, please join the family for fellowship and  
a luncheon served at the Graceville Community Center.

ARRANGEMENTS BY  
Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home - Graceville, Minnesota

Lawrence Lavern Findlay was born on June 28, 1930, in Graceville, MN, to Joseph and Hazel (Mitchell) Findlay. He was baptized at the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in rural Johnson, MN. Lawrence lived on a farm two miles west of Johnson until 1943, when the family relocated to the Dumont, MN, area. Finishing his elementary education in a rural school, Lawrence went on to attend the Morris Agricultural School for one year.

In November of 1951, Lawrence was drafted into the United States Army and was stationed in Germany during the Korean Conflict. He was honorably discharged in 1953.

Upon his return to the United States, Lawrence farmed with his father until 1956. On June 10, 1956, Lawrence was united in marriage with Eleanor Hansen. Together, they were blessed with four children: Jean, Mark, Glenn, and Dale. Lawrence and Eleanor moved to a farm northeast of Beardsley, MN, where he farmed until 2005. They enjoyed traveling to different states as well as to Germany for Army reunions.

In December of 1998, Eleanor passed away. Lawrence was united in marriage with Hazel (Iverson) Cox on November 7, 1999. Lawrence and Hazel purchased a home in Pharr, TX, in 2003 and had been enjoying spending the winters there since. They bought a home in Beardsley, MN, in 2005 but Lawrence continued to help his son, Mark and grandson, Nick on the farm when they needed him.

In 1955, Lawrence purchased a lake lot on Big Stone Lake near Bonanza Beach. He wanted something he could buy and call his own. There were many happy memories made there where friends and family gathered almost every Sunday. He loved spending time at his lake property fishing, relaxing, and in his younger years, he was an awesome skier. When Lawrence was on the road traveling, he would go out of his way to visit relatives he and Hazel hadn't seen for a long time. One of Lawrence's favorite pastimes was listening to country music and going to Jamborees and dancing with Hazel.

Lawrence had a lot of passion for his farm and working with cattle; he instilled this passion into his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He loved to help and watch so many generations also working the cattle. Knowing the family farm is being passed down to other generations gave him much joy.

Lawrence is survived by his wife, Hazel of Beardsley, MN; daughter, Jean Boyum of Battle Lake, MN; sons: Mark (Carol) Findlay of Beardsley, MN; and Dale Findlay of Eagan, MN; seven grandchildren: Mitchell (Christa) Findlay, Nicholas (Shantelle) Findlay, Lucas (Kayla) Findlay, Katie (Brandon) Johnson, Aaron Boyum (Danae O'Brien), Brett Boyum (Erica Seitzer), and Kristin Boyum; 12 great-grandchildren; sister, Gloria Seifert of Waco, TX; along with many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; wife, Eleanor; son, Glenn Findlay; sister, Marjorie (Jack) Smith; brothers: Darrel Findlay, and Joseph Jr. (Shirley) Findlay; brother-in-law, Tom Siefert; and son-in-law, Allen Boyum.

