

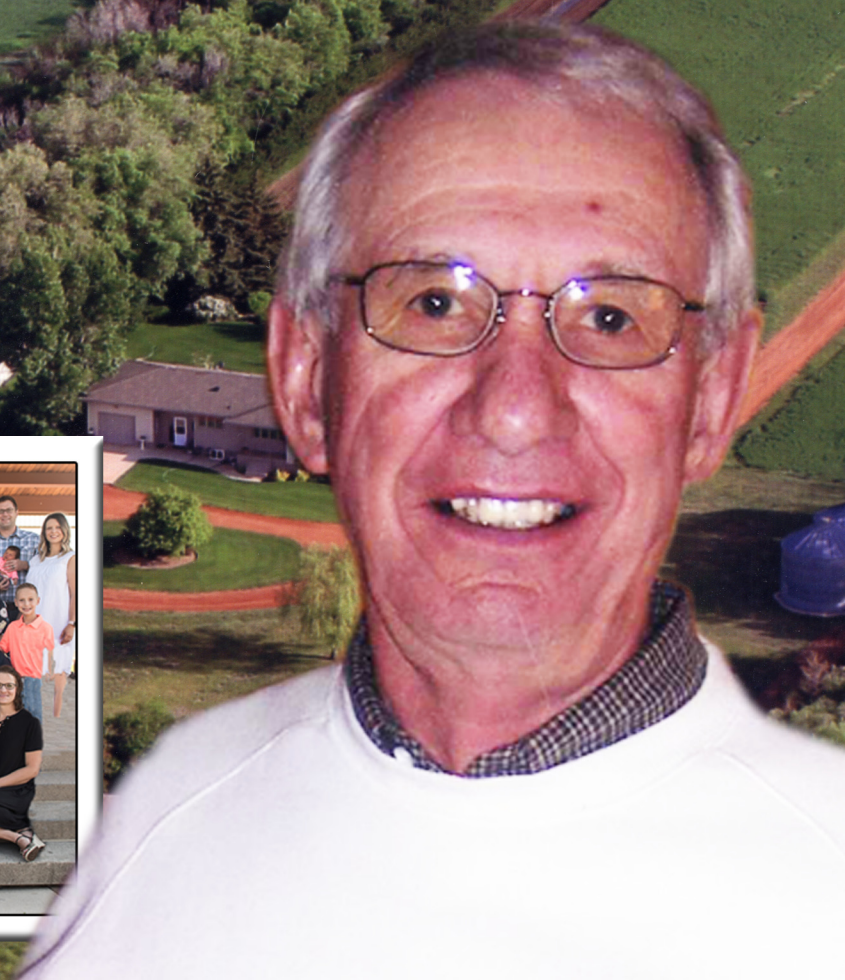
# Florian Frank Volesky

was born March 7, 1935 on a farm in Billings County, the son of Anton J. and Rosie (Sadowsky) Volesky. Growing up he attended Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School in New Hradec. As a young man he began working on the Volesky family farm with his parents. While attending one of the local dances, he met a young girl Gladys Kovash, and they were united in marriage on September 16, 1957 at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in New Hradec. The couple was blessed with four daughters, Sue, Lonnie, Barb and LeeAnn. Together they raised their daughters and proudly lived the country life of farming for the next 53 years. Florian loved being able to teach his girls how to milk, rake hay, plow, and run combine. He was a gentle teacher with plenty of patience, even if it meant spending a little extra time fixing the mishaps of his girls. Florian was blessed to have been born, raised and lived on the same family farm for over 75 years. He had a deep love for the land and took great pride in farming and maintaining a breath-taking farmstead. He and Gladys retired in 2010 and moved to Dickinson. While in Dickinson, he continued to work in the dirt, his garden, and share the produce with others. Florian's retirement hobby was woodworking and gifting his treasures to family. Florian and Gladys had deep and trusting faith, and their love for the church brought them through many trials in their lifetime. Florian had an eternal love for Czech music and would either be dancing, whistling, or tapping his fingers to the melody. Florian and Gladys's travels didn't take them far, but they always made time to see their children and all their grandkids special events. He loved playing pinochle and also enjoyed camping with family and friends. There was always a welcoming smile and a shot of red-eye. Florian was an active member of Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Catholic Workman (now called First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association), Charter member of K of C order 1515 and an Elks member. Florian will be remembered as a humble and kind man, loved forever and missed by those who were blessed to know him. Florian is survived by his wife of 63 years, Gladys; daughters, Sue (John) Roller, Lonnie (Greg) Ficek, Barb (Bryan) Wolf all of Dickinson, LeeAnn (Kellen) Steckler of Rapid City, SD; 10 grandchildren, Brandi (Jeremy) Mehlhoff, Tawni Wanner, Lacey (Carey) Muth, Sheldon Wolf, Brandon (Jen) Wolf, Jordan (Julie) Wolf, Amy (Aaron) Klein, Morgan (Mike) Doerr, Reece Steckler, Trace Steckler; 13 great-grandchildren, Madison, Kiara and Jeron Mehlhoff, Abby and Logan Steffan, Braylon and Makenna Muth, Regen, Gemma and Bode Doerr, Adelyn, Alayna and Jackson Wolf, and baby Wolf (July 2021); sister, Rose Marie Kovash; sisters-in-law, Tillie Volesky, Evelyn Volesky. He was preceded in death by his parents, Anton & Rosie Volesky; brothers, Robert, Ben, Raymond; infant brother, Joseph; sisters, Mary (Laudie) Karsky, Elsie (Frank) Steffan, Frances (Richard) Marsh, Betty (Don) Kudrna; brother-in-law, Don Kovash.



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March 7, 1935 - February 8, 2021





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## **FUNERAL MASS:**

Friday, February 12, 2021 10:00 am  
Queen of Peace Catholic Church  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## **ROSARY & VIGIL:**

Thursday, February 11, 2021 6:00 pm  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota  
Rosary - Rick Marsh  
Vigil - Monsignor Thomas Richter

## **CELEBRATING:**

Father Kregg Hochhalter

## **MUSIC:**

Sandy Tibor  
Eric Ehlis

## **READERS:**

Brandi Mehlhoff  
Trace Steckler

## **HONORARY GIFTBEARERS:**

All of Florian's Grandchildren &  
Great-Grandchildren

## **PALLBEARERS:**

Sheldon Wolf	Brandon Wolf
Jordan Wolf	Reece Steckler
Trace Steckler	Lacey Muth
Tawni Wanner	Brandi Mehlhoff
Morgan Doerr	Amy Klein

## **HONORARY PALLBEARERS:**

All of Florian's Great-Grandchildren

## **INTERMENT:**

St. Wenceslaus Cemetery  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## **ARRANGEMENTS BY:**

Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

### IF TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME

When tomorrow starts without me,  
And I'm not there to see,  
If the sun should rise and find your eyes  
All filled with tears for me;  
I wish so much you wouldn't cry  
The way you did today,  
While thinking of the many things,  
We didn't get to say.  
I know how much you love me,  
As much as I love you,  
And each time that you think of me,  
I know you'll miss me too;  
But when tomorrow starts without me,  
Please try to understand,  
That an angel came and called my name,  
And took me by the hand,  
And said my place was ready,  
In heaven far above,  
And that I'd have to leave behind  
All those I dearly love.  
But when I walked through Heaven's gates,  
I felt so much at home  
When God looked down and smiled at me,  
From His great golden throne.  
He said, "This is eternity,  
And all I've promised you."  
Today your life on earth is past,  
But here life starts anew.  
So when tomorrow starts without me,  
Don't think we're far apart,  
For every time you think of me,  
I'm right here, in your heart.