Anthony Frank "Tony" Rassat, age 84, of Osakis, MN, passed away on December 1, 2020 at Alomere Hospital in Alexandria.

Tony was born on June 1, 1936, at his family's farm near Nelson. He was the only son of Oscar A. "Bud" Rassat and Marguerite M. (Schelin) Rassat. He had five sisters. Tony attended elementary school at Nelson Public School, and graduated from Jefferson Senior High in Alexandria, MN.

He married Mary Ann Guenther on October 1, 1955. They resided on a farm near Nelson and began raising a family. While farming with his father, he drove school bus and was a custodian for the Nelson Public School. He was also a milk truck driver for the Nelson Creamery. In 1967 he took over the family farm and began farming full time. He had a special touch with animals, whether they were dairy cows, hogs, horses, dogs or cats. He was excellent with machinery and took great pride in caring for all of his equipment.

Tony had many hobbies including antique cars, antique tractors, and his Harley. Perhaps more than anything else he enjoyed restoring many different types of antique plows. If he was not working or tending to some family function, it was a good bet that you could find him down in his shop tinkering with his latest project.

Tony was a friend to everyone he ever met. His soft, gentle manner and kind demeanor were immediately evident to anyone who was fortunate enough to know him. Tony had an infectious, genuine smile and an easy laugh. He had an admirable ability to truly appreciate the simple things in life. He was always ready to lend a helping hand. Tony was one of a kind... a connection to a simpler, better time. He loved his family, his friends and his community. Tony was a decent and humble man who will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He was a lifelong member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Nelson where he gave generously of his time and volunteered for many projects over the years.

Tony is survived by his wife, Mary Ann; daughters, Mickie (Jerry) Danelke of Hoffman, MN, Beverly (Bradley) Stowell of Sun Prairie, WI, Shelly (Jeff) Bluhm of Clear Lake, MN; and son, Andrew (Cammie) of Alexandria, MN; grandchildren, Sarah (Dale) Craig, Leaonna Norling, Ian Stowell, Nicole Stowell, Dalton Rassat, and Gabbie Rassat; great grandchildren, Brianna Craig, Morgan Craig, Quiyn Craig, Hailey Norling, Aaron Norling, Olivia King and Owen King. He is also survived by two sisters, DiAnn Nord of Hoffman, MN, and Linda Nelson, of Oakdale, MN.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Marguerite; and his sisters, Thelma, Delores, and Debbie; and one granddaughter, Marrissa Rassat.



In Loving Memory

Anthony "Tony" Frank Rassat

Born June 1, 1936

Died December 1, 2020

Funeral Service

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Nelson, Minnesota Wednesday, December 9, 2020 11 AM

Officiants

Reverend Jeremy Pederson Reverend Mark Matthews

Musician Faye Lee

Casket Bearers

Andy Rassat Jerry Danelke Jon Stowell Dalton Rassat Jeff Bluhm Brad Stowell

Interment

Geneva Cemetery Alexandria, Minnesota



The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.