



The Best

God saw that you were suffering,

And there was no cure to be.

So He took you in His caring hands,

And whispered, 'Come to me.'

With tearful eyes we watched you.

And we saw you pass away.

But although we love you dearly,

We could not make you stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,

Hard working hands at rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us,

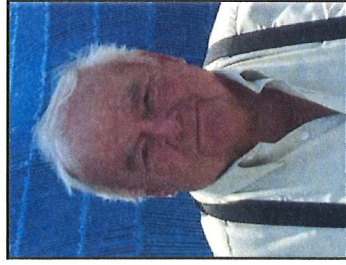
He only takes the best.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

GARY A. PETERSON

FEBRUARY 21, 1941 ~ JULY 29, 2023



Gary Allen Peterson, 82, of Langdon, ND, passed away July 29, 2023, in Saint Mary's Hospital, Rochester, MN, after a brief battle with cancer.

Gary was born to Alvin and Idella (Brudahl) Peterson on February 21, 1941, in Langdon, ND. Gary grew up on a farm near Vang, ND, and graduated from Langdon High School in 1957. He attended NDSSS in Wahpeton, ND, after graduating high school. He started his water well drilling business, Peterson Well Co., and continued to drill water wells across northeast ND for over 50 years. Gary started a hay grinding business in 1994 to keep himself busy during the winter months and continued that until retirement. Gary met many lifelong friends during these lengthy careers.

Gary met Barbara Brown during his many trips to the First Bank in Langdon where she was employed. They were married December 27, 1964. The two made their home and raised their 3 children - Michelle, Scott and Kari - in Langdon, ND.

Gary loved tinkering in his shop. His many talents included woodworking - he could build anything. He loved trees and working outside in his yard - tilling trees & mowing. He rebuilt and restored several vintage Allis Chalmers tractors, which he was very proud of. He loved to get his hands dirty. Gary loved good old time music. He wasn't much for going into town for coffee with the guys, but if you came to his shop, he could spin a yarn for hours. He could visit and story-tell with anyone. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was full of wit. Gary loved all kinds of animals and loved his black cat, Boo. Gary loved watching sports. His favorite teams were the Minnesota Twins and the Minnesota Vikings.

Gary is preceded in death by his parents, brother Bobby Peterson, sisters Doris Sperling and Marilyn Christianson, grandson Nicolai Lahren and son-in-law Daryl Lahren. He is survived by his wife; daughters Michelle Lahren and Kari Peterson; son Scott (Lori) Peterson; granddaughters: Brenna Lahren, Mara Lahren, Paige Peterson; and grandson Tate Peterson.

Brooks Funeral Home ~ Langdon, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE

Sunday, August 6, 2023 ~ 2:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church

Langdon, ND

CLERGY

Pastor Bob Blackburn

MUSIC

Organist ~ Kathy Uhrich

“In the Garden” “I Love To Tell the Story” “Amazing Grace”

SPECIAL MUSIC

Randell & Darin Ullyott

Accompanist ~ Bob Tapson

“I'll Fly Away”

CASKET BEARERS

Gary's Nephews

Keith Peterson Kevin Peterson Rick Peterson

Steve Sperling Mark Sperling Randy Christianson

Joel Christianson Paul Peterson

HONORARY BEARERS

Gary's Grandkids

Brenna Mara Paige Tate

INTERMENT

Lebanon Cemetery ~ Langdon, ND