

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.

My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him,

"Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus answered,

"I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me,

you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

John 14:1-7

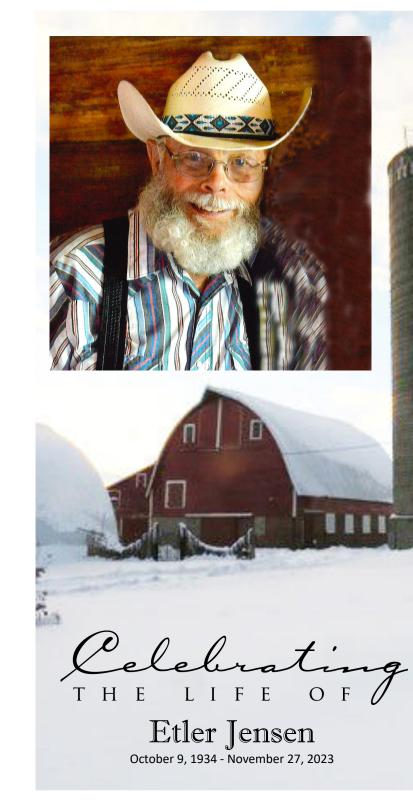
Etler Arnold Jensen was born October 9, 1934 to Volmar and Anna (Duus) Jensen on a farm in Pipestone County near Ruthton, Minnesota. He was baptized at Danebod Lutheran Church in Tyler, Minnesota and later confirmed at Aetna Lutheran Church in Ruthton, Minnesota. He started his education in country school, and in 1954 graduated from West Central School of Agriculture in Morris, Minnesota. He was drafted and entered the U.S. Army on January 7, 1955 and was honorably discharged December 22, 1956 after serving in Korea as an Artillery Communications Specialist. After working for Remmington Rand Univac in 1957 and as a Dairy Herd Improvement Association Supervisor in 1958, he returned to the farm work he knew growing up and took over the family farm, which is now a Century Farm. He farmed and had a dairy herd for forty years. After retiring from milking cows and farming, Etler enjoyed working with Jerry Jagt burying cable for REA and making electrical boxes for the wind towers. Another adventure that had Etler "up and at' em" (as he would say) was collecting old iron with Joe Houselog. Joe and Etler were referred to as "the twins" when they brought their trailers full of iron into Beckers Iron.

On June 27, 1964, Etler married Danene Zeman at Danebod Lutheran Church in Tyler, Minnesota. Their union was blessed with four children and fifty nine years of life together. They raised their family on the farm and continued to live there following his retirement in 2005.

Etler was a member of Danebod Lutheran Church in Tyler, Minnesota, where he served on the Church Council at one time. He was a core founding member of Lincoln Pipestone Rural Water and served as its chairman for fifteen years. He was also a board member of the Minnesota State Rural Water Association and a member of the Associated Milk Producers, Inc. He could fix and build anything, being a carpenter, a welder, and iron worker. He enjoyed flying airplanes and was part owner of three aircrafts. He enjoyed deer hunting, traveling, and especially enjoyed the time he spent with his family, grandchildren and his twelve great grandchildren.

Etler passed away on November 27, 2023 at the farm surrounded by his family.

Etler is lovingly remembered by his wife, Danene Jensen; his three daughters, Julie (Lyle) Dubbeldee of Tyler, Minnesota, Jennifer (Tim) Gilk of Redwood Falls, Minnesota, and Jill (Bill) Maisch of Tyler, Minnesota; nine grandchildren, Zac (Jodi) Dubbeldee, Jezra (Kyle) Kinner, Lukas (Brittni) Dubbeldee, Eli (Kendra) Dubbeldee, Erik (Erin) Maisch, Ryley (Luke) Wiering, Carter (Edann) Gilk, Spencer (Tara) Gilk, and Abby Gilk; twelve great grandchildren, Avra, Keni, Huxlee, Rowen, Onyx, Ember, Sawyer, Everlee, Audie, Elliot, James and Esther. He is also remembered by his brother, Armin (Neva) Jensen of Tyler, Minnesota and sister Elna Everson of Mitchell, South Dakota. He was preceded in death by his son, Jeffrey; his parents; a sister, Jeannine and brothers-in-law, Paul Trott and Bruce Everson.



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Etler Jensen

Memorial Service

Saturday, December 9, 2023 - 11:00 AM

Danebod Lutheran Church

Tyler, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Megan Eide

Scripture Readings

John 14:1-7

Music

Pianist - Marijane Borresen

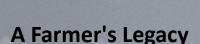
Congregational Hymns

"Our Father Has Light in His Window" - WOS 130
"Amazing Grace" - LBW 448
"Danish Hiking Song" - WOS 272

Honorary Casket Bearers

Zachary Dubbeldee Abby Gilk Jezra Kinner
Lukas Dubbeldee Spencer Gilk Erik Maisch
Elijah Dubbeldee Carter Gilk Ryley Wiering

The family would like to acknowledge the beautiful urn handcrafted for Etler by his son-in-law Bill Maisch.



For this one farmer the worries are over, lie down and rest your head. Your time has been and struggles enough, put the tractor in the shed. Years were not easy many downright hard, but your faith in God transcended. Put away your tools and sleep in peace. The fences have all been mended. You raised a fine family, worked the land well and always followed the Son. Hang up your shovel inside of the barn; your work here on earth is done. A faith few possess led your journey through life, often a jagged and stony way. The sun is setting, the cattle are all bedded, and here now is the end of your day. your love of God's soil has passed on to your kin; the traditions instilled are fine. Wash off your work boots in the puddle, left by blessed rain one final time. You always believed that the good Lord would provide and He always had somehow. Take off your gloves and put them down, no more sweat and worry for you now. Your labor is done, your home is now heaven; you've left the farm in good care. Your legacy lives on, your love of the land is something we will all share.

