

George Meisel was born March 17, 1930 on the family ranch in Sioux County, ND to Lewis and Pauline (Dolderer) Meisel. He was very proud of his German heritage (although he was Irish for a day each year on his birthday). George attended Selfridge High School, graduating in 1948. He earned an Elementary Teaching Certificate from Dickinson Teachers College, and then taught at Goose Camp School in rural Sioux County until he was drafted into the US Army in 1952. He served at Fort Riley, KS as a dental assistant until his discharge at the rank of Corporal. He attended the University of North Dakota, studying Art and Industrial Arts, and completed his degree at Valley City State College in 1958.

George married Madge Amanda Dubourt at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grand Forks, ND on September 2, 1957. To this union, five children were born: Paul, Marge, Kathie, Joe and Anne. George taught at Green Consolidated School in Barnes County, ND in 1958. They moved to Williston, ND in 1959 where George taught Art and Industrial Arts with the Williston Public School District until his retirement in 1990. While there he influenced numerous students with his enthusiasm of the arts. He also served as a part-time drafting instructor at Williston State College for 20 years.

Throughout his life George pursued many interests and activities, including art, flying, Ham radio, bonfires, boating, local arts and travel. He was a founding member and president of the Prairie Painters Art Club, a volunteer EMT with the Williston Ambulance, a member of the Board of directors of Entertainment Inc, member of the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service, member of the American Legion, and a SKYWARN volunteer. George enjoyed traveling throughout North America, Europe, and Central America. He also enjoyed woodwork and metalwork. He was very innovative; "If it's broken, give it to George". He was the Williston High School Auditorium stage manager and technical director (or "stage coach") for 24 years.

George was a proud 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus and over the years held many positions and devoted countless hours to the organization.

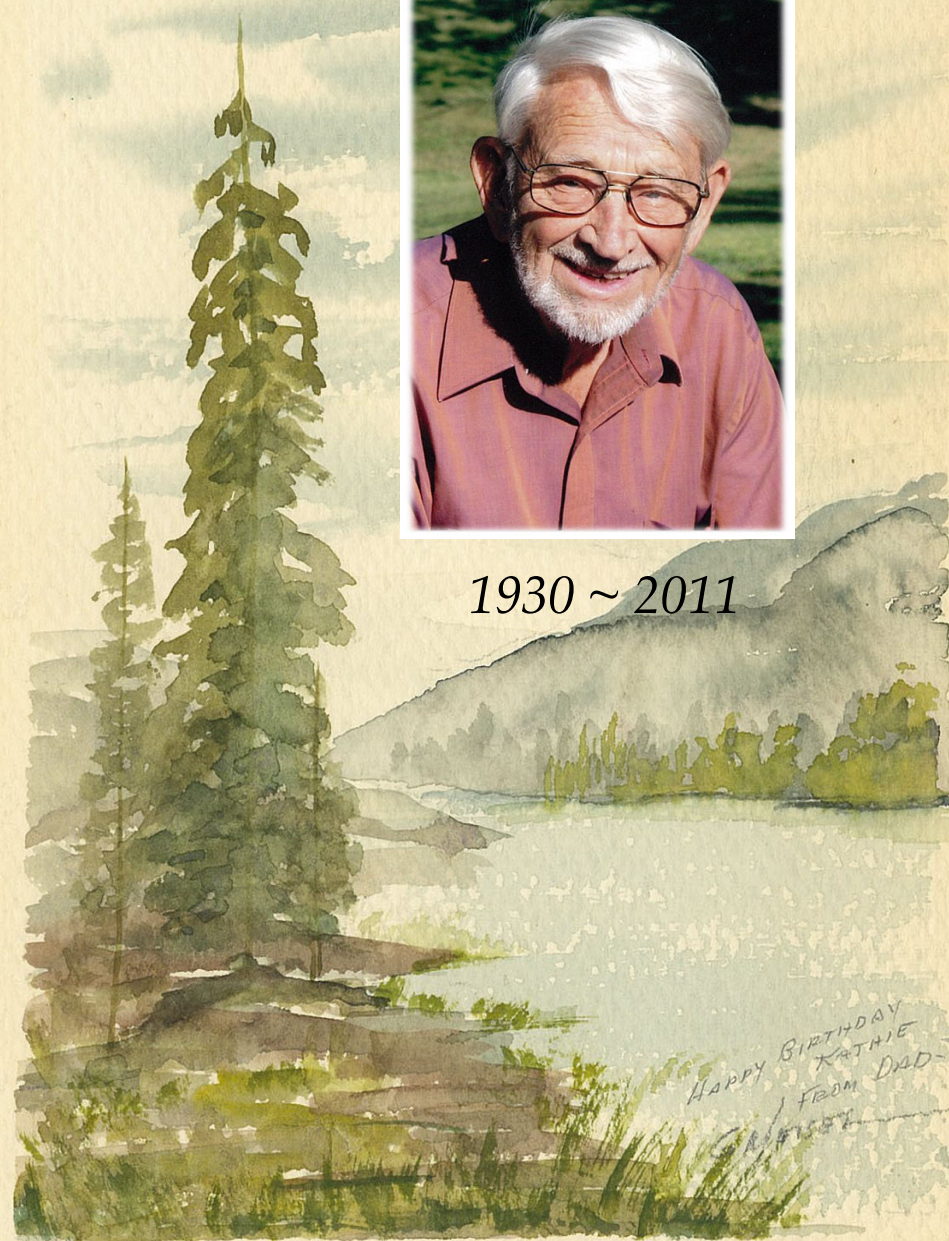
He was preceded in death by his parents Lewis and Pauline, father-in-law Paul Dubourt, mother-in-law LaRaine Dubourt, son-in-law Dave Schlemper, sister-in-law Frances (Martin), brother-in-law Shorty Hansen (Mary), and brother-in-law Mike West (Polly).

Those who are left to treasure his memory are his loving wife of 53 years, Madge; his children: Paul of Sawyer, ND, Marge Kunik (Bill) of Lakeville, MN, Kathie Schlemper of Belle, MO, Joe of Williston and Anne of Pick City, ND; his grandchildren Katie, Erinn and Lewis Kunik and Matt, Jessica and Jonathan Schlemper; his siblings Carl, Mary Hansen, Bob (Virginia), Martin, Emily, Jim (Carolyn), Polly West; in-laws Laddie Oster, Polly Kegler (Dennis), Marcello Dubourt, Pat Dubourt and Chuck Dubourt; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

## *In Loving Memory Of* *George A. Meisel*



1930 ~ 2011



*HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
KATHIE  
FROM DAD*

# *In Memory Of George Albert Meisel*

GOD TOOK THE STRENGTH OF A MOUNTAIN  
THE MAJESTY OF A TREE,  
THE WARMTH OF A SUMMER SUN,  
THE CALM OF A QUIET SEA,  
THE GENEROUS SOUL OF NATURE,  
THE COMFORTING ARMS OF NIGHT...

THE WISDOM OF THE AGES,  
THE POWER OF THE EAGLE'S FLIGHT,  
THE JOY OF A MORNING IN SPRING,  
THE FAITH OF A MUSTARD SEED,  
THE PATIENCE OF ETERNITY,  
THE DEPTH OF A FAMILY'S NEED...

THEN GOD COMBINED THESE QUALITIES,  
AND WHEN THERE WAS NOTHING MORE TO ADD,  
HE KNEW HIS MASTERPIECE WAS COMPLETE,  
AND SO HE CALLED IT---DAD!

<b><i>Date And Place Of Birth</i></b>	<b><i>Date And Place of Death</i></b>
March 17, 1930	June 7, 2011
Sioux County, North Dakota	Williston, North Dakota

## ***Funeral Mass***

10:00 AM, Friday, June 17, 2011  
St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
Williston, North Dakota

## ***Celebrant***

Father Dennis Schafer

## ***Musicians***

Kathy Pepple ~ Organist      Priscilla Keck ~ Cantor

## ***Eulogist***

Jim Meisel

## ***Readers***

Martin Meisel      Jessica Schlemper  
Sister Emily Meisel (OSB)

## ***Gift Bearers***

Katie Kunik      Erinn Kunik

## ***Casketbearers***

Matt Schlemper	Jonathan Schlemper	Bill Kunik
Lewis Kunik	Clarence Tupa	Dennis Kegler

## ***Honorary Bearers***

Williston 4th Degree Knights of Columbus

## ***Military Honors***

Williston Veteran's Honor Guard  
North Dakota Veteran's Honor Guard

## ***Interment***

Hillside Memory Gardens  
Williston, North Dakota



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