

"Death is nothing at all. It does not count. I have only slipped away into the next room. Nothing has happened. Everything remains exactly as it was. I am I, and you are you, and the old life that we lived so fondly together is untouched, unchanged. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by the old familiar name. Speak of me in the easy way which you always used. Put no difference into your tone. Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes that we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be ever the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without effort, without the ghost of a shadow upon it. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was. There is absolute and unbroken continuity. What is this death but a negligible accident? Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just round the corner. All is well. "

In Loving Memory **Douglas "Moses" Johnsrud**

Born to to John and Alice Johnsrud
November 23, 1945 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father
May 21, 2017 ~ Watford City, North Dakota

Funeral Service

11 o'clock, Wednesday, May 24, 2017
First Lutheran Church
Watford City, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Rob Favorite

Music

Garrett Gunderson ~ Vocalist
Caroline Schwartz ~ Accompanist

Pallbearers

Roy Berquist	Leroy Rogness
Robert Omlid	Rick Holm
Rick Lawlar	Dennis Johnson
Larry Nelson	Larry Lundeen

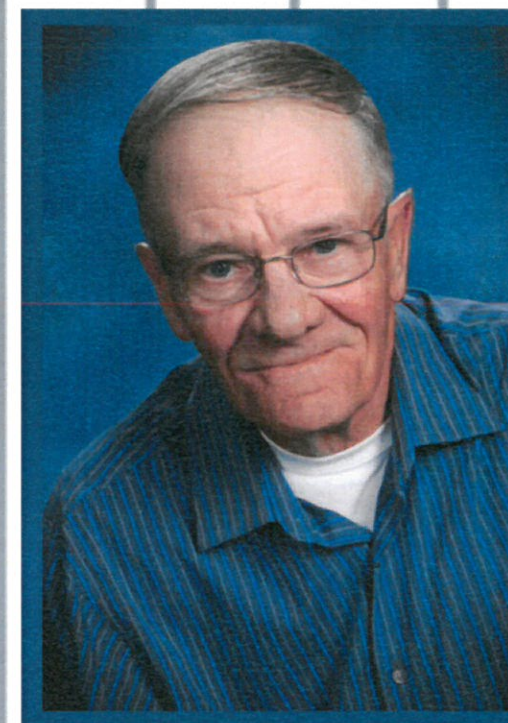
Honorary Pallbearers

American Legion Baseball League of Watford City

Final Resting Place

Garden Cemetery ~ Watford City, North Dakota

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Watford City, ND
has been entrusted with arrangements



In Loving Memory Of

Douglas "Moses" Johnsrud

November 23, 1945 - May 21, 2017





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 & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house

of the LORD *forever.*

- Psalm 23

Douglas "Doug" Johnsrud aka "Moses" was born November 23, 1945 to John and Alice (Nelson) Johnsrud. He grew up on the family farm northeast of Watford City and attended Nelson School his elementary years. He graduated from Watford City High School in 1964. He attended Jamestown College and then entered the U.S. Army and was stationed in Korea.

Doug and Bonnie (Toepke) were married at First Lutheran Church in Mandan in November 1970. They joined the Johnsrud family farm where they have resided for 46 years. After 13 years of marriage, they were blessed with one son, Kristopher, and spent many happy years following him around as he played hockey and baseball.

Doug loved to farm, but especially enjoyed caring for livestock and bailing hay. His cows were his pride and joy. He also was a great sports enthusiast especially for the New York Yankees. He was reading the Fargo Forum sports pages and baseball box scores before he started the first grade. He played five years "first string" with the Watford Legion baseball team. He also played basketball in high school and was known for a long-soft jump shot. In one game he scored 48 points from what would now be "three point range"; today's scoring would have given him 72 points. In later years, Doug was an ardent supporter of the Watford City Legion baseball program. Each winter he handwrote more than a hundred letters to businesses and individuals seeking their support for the next year's baseball season. His letters were an important part of baseball fund raising program.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing in all seasons. There are several prize mounts to attest to his success. Days hunting with his friends were highlights of his years.

Doug was known for his excellent penmanship and organization. For the past several years he has kept records for Garden Lutheran Cemetery as well as other community organizations.

Doug is survived by his wife, Bonnie, son Kristopher and his wife Hallie and three and a half grandchildren, Hayden, Halle, Jeter, and baby due in July, all of Watford City. Other survivors include two brothers, Myron (Muriel), Fargo and Merton (Karen), Bismarck, brother-in-law, Richard (Sandy) Toepke, Rapid City, SD, three nieces and three nephews and their families, and mother-in-law, Alice Witkowski. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Alice Johnsrud, and fathers-in-law, Frank Witkowski and Lyle Toepke.

