

**In Loving Memory Of**  
*James Albert Goettle*

**Date and Place of Birth**  
November 15, 1944 ~ Kenmare, ND

**Date and Place of Death**  
February 15, 2018 ~ Donnybrook, ND

**Services**  
11 AM Wednesday, February 21, 2018  
Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
Stanley, ND

**Concelebrants**  
Father Jason Signalness  
Father Wesley Dessonville

**Music**  
Dominick & Rachel Goettle  
Nathan Dessonville, Mathew,  
Thomas, Stephen, Vincent & Craig Goettle

**Lectors**  
1st Reading - Jessie Zerr  
Responsorial Psalm - Michelle Brookhouser  
2nd Reading - Kathryn Goettle

**Pallbearers**  
Derek Zerr                      Christopher Goettle  
Tim Dessonville              Andy Goettle  
Curtis Hall                      Greg Johnson

**Altar Servers**  
John Goettle                      Jacob Goettle

**Honorary Pallbearers**  
Jim's Family, Friends, Branding Crew and Fellow Veterans

**Final Resting Place**  
ND Veteran's Cemetery ~ Mandan, ND

**Military Honors**  
Donnybrook American Legion Post #195  
North Dakota Military Funeral Honors Team

**Arrangements By Springan Stevenson Funeral Home of Stanley**  
*You may share your remembrances, condolences, and pictures with the family at the Fulkerson-*

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## JAMES GOETTLE – A LIFE OF SERVICE

James (Jim) Albert Goettle was born November 15, 1944, to Leonard and Annie. The third of ultimately nine children, he was in the third generation of the Goettle Ranch located in the rolling hills west of Donnybrook. Jim attended St. Agnes Boarding School, Stave Township one-room school house and graduated Donnybrook High School.

Jim's service in the Navy started in 1965 during the Vietnam War. He married Doris Lautenschlager on August 17, 1967, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Berthold. Jim was honorably discharged from the Navy in September 1969. They had five children: Shane, Jilene, Elaine, Justin and Wyatt.

Family life revolved around cattle, sheep, dairy and small grains. Jim was a member of the North Dakota Stockmans' Association, area Sheep Producers, and the North Dakota Lamb & Wool Producers, where he was awarded the 1984 North Dakota Master Sheep Producer Award. He was recognized as an NDSU Harvest Bowl Honoree. Jim also ventured into custom spraying, dairy artificial insemination, and U.S. Postal mail carrier. He was also an owner of JAG Gravel.

Faith, patriotism and civic service imbued Jim's life. During his lifetime he was a practicing Catholic and member of the Knights of Columbus. He was a proud Navy veteran and remained active in several veterans' groups, including the American Legion Post 195 (Donnybrook), VFW 7049 (Kenmare), and Vietnam Vets of America (Chapter 487). He dedicated hours of public service to the Stave Township Board, the Donnybrook Rural Fire Department and various Mountrail County organizations, including the Ag Association, Atmospheric Resource Board, School Reorganization Board and Social Services Board. He was also a member of the Coulee Farmers Union.

Jim took pride in his family and supported his children's and grandchildren's involvement in 4-H, FFA, sports, music, speech, and other extracurricular activities. He was a 4-H leader for the Mountrail Mavericks club and named an Honorary Member of the Stanley FFA Chapter.

Jim loved hunting and was an NRA member. He liked playing cards, especially whist. He also spoke fondly of his involvement in the Blaisdell Rodeo Club and the Rolling Hills Saddle Club, which included square dancing with horses! He and Doris were members of the Twist & Twirl Square Dance Club. Jim's family will long remember his laughter, passion for history, love of western books (anything by Louis L'Amour) and western movies (especially John Wayne).

Jim is survived by his wife, Doris, five children, 13 grandchildren, and one great grandchild. Children: Shane (Brenda), Jilene Zerr (Lonny), Elaine Brookhouser, Justin and Wyatt (Rebecca). Grandchildren: Dominick, Rachel (Matthew), Kathryn, John, Grace and Rita; Jessie (Cadi) and Derek Zerr; Nichole and Michelle Brookhouser; and Carter, Landon and Hailey. Great-grandchild: Sylvia. He is also survived by eight siblings and their families: Jack (MaryJo), Leon, Joyce Bly (Andy), Lawrence (Nancy), Margaret, Daniel, Lauren Klein (Bob) and Monica Dessonville (Ron). He was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Annie.



The LORD is my Shepherd;  
I shall not want.

He maketh me  
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