



Hope Strength

In Loving
M E M O R Y

Larry L. Hanson

Date & Place of Birth

January 7, 1941 ~ Powers Lake, North Dakota

Date & Place of Passing

December 14, 2018 ~ Bismarck, North Dakota

Funeral Service

Wednesday, December 19, 2018, 11:00 am
First Lutheran Church
Williston, North Dakota

Officiating

Reverend Brian Knutson

Eulogist

Mack Huncovsky

Reader

Tim Conlin

Music

Shelly Sykes ~ Vocalist Beth Olsen ~ Accompanist

Pallbearers

Dean Benth Don Benth Mick Conlon
Dick McKennett Gary Sukut Ken Zuroff

Military Rites

Williston Honor Guard
North Dakota Honor Guard

Final Resting Place

Riverview Cemetery ~ Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, ND



In Loving Memory Of

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Requiem

*Under the wide and starry sky
Dig the grave and let me lie:
Glad did I live and gladly die:
And I laid me down with a will:
This be the verse you grave for me:
Here he lies where he long'd to be;
Home is the sailor, home from the sea,
And the hunter home from the hill.*

Robert Lewis Stevenson

Larry L Hanson, 77, Bismarck, ND passed away at Sanford Medical Center, on December 14, 2018 after a brief illness.

Larry was a long time Williston resident, he was born in Powers Lake, ND January 7, 1941, moving to Williston, ND at age 7, and graduating from Williston High School in 1959. He attended the University of North Dakota on a full basketball scholarship playing four years for the Fighting Sioux, serving as co-captain of the team and being named Most Valuable Player his senior year. In 1963 after completing flight training and as an ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate he received his BS in Business Administration as well as his commission as a 2nd Lt in the US Army.

As a helicopter pilot, he attained the rank of Captain and was stationed at various bases in the United States before being assigned for one year to a Medical Service Corps MASH unit in Korea. After a short period back in the United States he was sent to Viet Nam where he flew medical evacuation missions for another year and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with oak leaf clusters.

In 1968 he returned to Williston and met PattiAnn Benth. They were married August 30, 1969 and established their home in Williston. Larry worked as a parole/probation officer for the State of North Dakota and began building their rental and laundry business. Over the next thirty-three years they operated Mobile Village, Hanson Mobile Home Park, Village Laundry, Park Laundromat, the Wash House and Village Apartments. During that time he actively served in leadership roles for organizations as varied as the Chamber, Area Development Foundation, Great NW Boy Scout Council, Country Club, Upper Missouri Lake Sakakawea planning, as well as participating in major fund drives for community projects.

He was instrumental in creating property tax relief while serving as Mayor of the City of Williston and later also served as a Williams County Commissioner. With the ability to engage with all sides, he received appointments from six governors of both political parties to positions on the State Pardon Board, State Water Commission, ND Employment and Training Forum and others. He played handball, amateur basketball for thirty years and has been an avid golfer, hunter and fisherman.

Larry Hanson is a member of First Lutheran Church in Williston and Peace Lutheran Church at his winter home in Peoria, Arizona. He is survived by his wife, PattiAnn Hanson; son, Robert Andrew Hanson of Williston and his children, Emily Taylor and McKade Robert Hanson; sisters, Marilyn Gray and Julie Hastings as well as extended families and friends.



Loving Remembrance
Honor