## THE COWBOYS PRAYER

**OUR HEAVENLY FATHER,** WE PAUSE MIND FULL OF THE MANY **BLESSINGS YOU HAVE BESTOWED UPON US** WE ASK YOU TO BE WITH US AT THIS RODEO THIS EVENING AS WE ASK YOU TO BE WITH US IN THE ARENA OF LIFE **WE DON'T ASK FOR ANY SPECIAL FAYORS** WE DON'T ASK TO DRAW AROUND A CHUTE FIGHTING HORSE OR TO NEVER BREAK A BARRIER NOR DO WE ASK FOR ALL DAYLIGHT RUNS OR NOT TO DRAW A STEER THAT WON'T LAY **WE ASK YOU LORD THAT WE MAY** LIVE OUR LIVES IN SUCH A MANOR THAT WHEN WE MAKE THAT LAST INEVITABLE RIDE TO THE COUNTRY UP THERE WHERE THE GRASS GROWS LUSH. GREEN AND STIRRUP HIGH, AND THE WATER RUNS CLEAR, COOL AND DEEP THAT YOU, AS OUR LAST JUDGE **WOULD TELL US:** THAT OUR ENTRY FEES ARE PAID.

## AMEN



# IN LOVING MEMORY DALE C. JORGENSON

Born to Carl & Helen Jorgenson August 19, 1936 ~ Watford City, North Dakota

His Last Ride November 5, 2017 ~ Watford City, North Dakota

> Funeral Service 2 pm, Thursday, November 9, 2017 First Lutheran Church Watford City, North Dakota

> > Officiating Pastor Rob Favorite

> > > Eulogist Dean Meyer

Music
Transtrom Family & Caroline Schwartz

#### Pallbearers

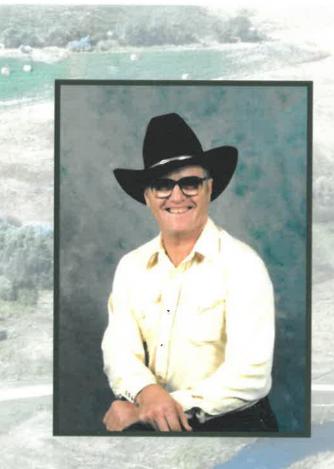
Lynn Meyer Leif Jellesed Kelly Hanna Gene Veeder Wade Veeder John Johnston Rusty Gilstad Dick Jore

### **Honorary Pallbearers**

Dickinson State College First Rodeo Team
Tex Appledorn
Esley Thorton
Dale Little Soldier
& All of Dales Friends & Family

Final Resting Place Schafer Cemetery, North Dakota

Arrangements By
Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Watford City, ND



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

DALE CARLYLE JORGENSON

AUGUST 19, 1936 - NOVEMBER 5, 2017

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Dale C. Jorgenson was born August 19, 1936 in Watford City, ND to Carl and Helen (Dodge) Jorgenson. He lived his early years on the Jorgenson ranch southeast of Watford City.

Dale was educated in a country school through eighth grade and then went on to graduate from Watford City High School in 1956. While in high school, Dale was active



in Golden Gloves Boxing, traveling from Canada

to Minneapolis winning several championship bouts. He went on to Dickinson State College, where he competed in college rodeo as a member of the first Dickinson State Rodeo team.

Dale's first NDRA

Dale's first NDRA championship came in 1957 where he won the Bareback Riding

championship as well as the All Around Cowboy honors.

Throughout the next 20 years he would excel in nearly all events; garnering championships in

Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding, Steer Wrestling and Team Roping. In addition to his years as a competitor, Dale served many terms



of directorship on the North Dakota Rodeo Association and High School Association boards.

Dale married his high school sweetheart Barbara Thomas in 1958. They began their life together living and building a family in Watford City.

Dale and Barbara purchased their ranch in rural Watford City in 1963 where they make their home today. They raised a family there, hosted many aspiring rodeo cowboys for practice sessions and sometimes a roof over their head or a place to tell a few stories. There was always room for anyone who needed a place to stay.



One of Dale's proudest moments was his induction to the North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame in 2002. To be recognized by his peers was an honor unparalleled.

Dale was a member of the Badlands Saddle Club, North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame, North Dakota Rodeo

Association, North Dakota High School Rodeo



Association, McKenzie County Grazing Association, Montana Team Ropers Association, Wrangler Team Roping Championships, Fifty Years in the Saddle, and First Lutheran Church.

Dale is survived by his wife of 59 years Barbara Jorgenson; son, Tim (Sue) and their sons Shane and Clay; son, Tom and his sons Chris (Brittany) and Seth, daughter Shelby;



daughter, Joan and her daughter Samantha,

her son Deagan; mother, Helen Jorgenson; brother's, Lyle, Denver and Nevada; sister, Kathi Kennedy and many nieces and nephews. Dale was preceded in death by his father,

Carl Jorgenson; grandson, Josh Kitzmann; daughter-in-law, Teresa Rustad Jorgenson.





