

MAY I GO?

*May I go now?
Do you think the time is right?
May I say goodbye to pain filled days
and endless lonely nights?
I've lived my life and done my best,
an example tried to be.
So can I take that step beyond
and set my spirit free?
I didn't want to go at first,
I fought with all my might.
But something seems to draw me now
to a warm and loving light.
I want to go. I really do.
It's difficult to stay.
But I will try as best I can
to live just one more day.
To give you time to care for me
and share your love and fears.
I know you're sad and afraid,
because I see your tears.
I'll not be far, I promise that,
and hope you'll always know
that my spirit will be close to you
wherever you may go.
Thank you so for loving me.
You know I love you, too.
That's why it's hard to say goodbye
and end this life with you.
So hold me now just one more time
and let me hear you say,
because you care so much for me,
you'll let me go today.
by Susan A. Jackson*

**In Loving Memory
Gary R. Schroeder**

Born to Richard & Thilda Schroeder
May 6, 1946 ~ Crosby, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father
October 25, 2020 ~ Tioga, North Dakota

Funeral Service

Thursday, October 29, 2020, 11:00 AM
Zion Lutheran Church
McGregor, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Mike Olson

Music

"In The Garden" & "Abide With Me"
Sandy McCloud ~ Accompanist

Special Music

"One Pair Of Hands" ~ Elvis Presley
"I Wish Grandpas Never Died" ~ Riley Green

Pallbearers

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| Jason Schroeder | Christopher Schroeder |
| Mike Hagen | Jamie Jorstad |
| Daniel McGinnity | Larry Moody |
| Riese Dignan | Eddie Marden |
| Brodie Odegaard | Nick Lynch |
| | Steve Bratlien |

Honorary Pallbearers

All of Gary's Family & Friends

Final Resting Place

Zion Cemetery ~ McGregor, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home
Tioga, North Dakota



In Loving Memory Of

Gary Richard Schroeder
May 6, 1946 - October 25, 2020



Gary Richard Schroeder, 74, of McGregor, North Dakota passed away the morning of October 25, 2020.

Gary was born on May 6th 1946, at the Crosby Hospital to Richard and Thilda (Bratlien) Schroeder. He was raised and educated in McGregor.

Gary was united in marriage to Mary Mattson on September 1st 1974. To this marriage their daughter, Teresa was born.

Gary lived life to the fullest. He loved cars whether new or old. He especially loved his pride and joy - a 57 Chevy Bel Air Convertible that was just recently restored. He also enjoyed attending as many dirt track races with his family that his health and eyesight allowed, watching and attending the Minnesota Wild hockey games, and most of all spending time with his girls then along came his boys (a grandson and great-grandson).

Gary was baptized and confirmed into the Zion Lutheran Church in McGregor, ND.

Gary's absence will be felt immensely by all his family and friends and those who loved him most.

Gary is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mary; daughter, Teresa Schroeder (Daren Barkie); grandchildren, Paxten and McKenzie (Riese Dignan) of Kenmare, ND; great-grandson Keaton, son of McKenzie Schroeder of Kenmare, ND; his brother, Gaylen (Donna) Schroeder of Ross, ND and numerous special nephews, nieces, cousins, friends and special companion EMMA LOU.

Gary is preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Thilda Schroeder, and sisters Carol and Doris Schroeder.

