

## FARMER'S PRAYER

As I rise with the dawn, I drink in the morning. I taste the goodness of your creation and smell the crispness of new beginnings. I sense you beside me, my good shepherd watching over me as I care for the farm. I whistle a tune of praise as I go about my work. I feel blessed to walk in the long lived rhythms of sowing, feeding and reaping. Fill me anew today Lord with your Spirit. Give me strength and health when I feel tired or weary. I release my anxious thoughts to you. Knowing that you hear my prayer. Please bless my farm, my home, my family. Please bless the work of my hands. Please remind me each morning To give thanks to you anew, my Lord and Saviour.

AMEN.

Anderson Farm Est. 1933

# In Loving Memory Owen Norris Anderson

Born to Carl & Oline Anderson
August 30, 1935 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father
June 2, 2021 ~ Minot, North Dakota

#### Funeral Service

Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 2:00 PM Ray Lutheran Church ~ Ray, North Dakota

# Officiating

Pastor Mary Dickman Parris

#### Music Selections

"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

"Old Country Church"

"God On The Mountain" "Ring Those Bells"

"How Great Thou Art" "God Be With You"

### Pallbearers

Donald Anderson Bryan Franck
Tyler Stafslien Kevin Steele
Curtis Nay Chad Dietz
Jake Ereth

## Honorary Pallbearers

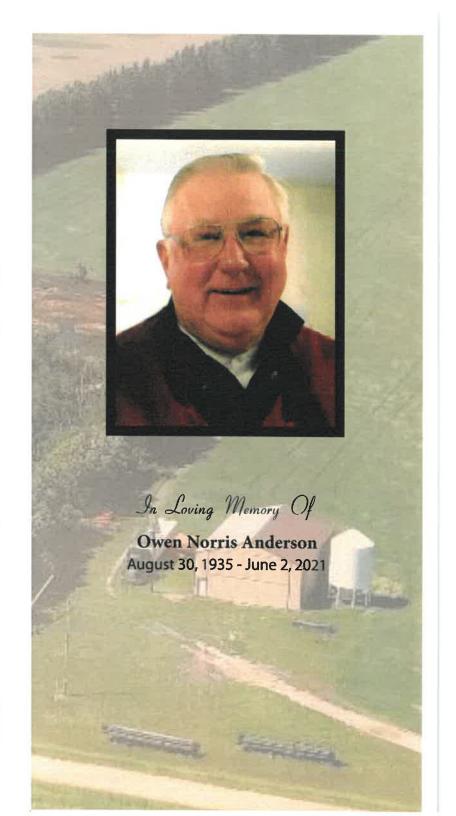
Nathan Anderson Brandi Franck
Shannon Stafslien Krista Nay
Tarina Dietz Heather Steele
Natalie Ereth Melinda Casey
All of Owen's Great-Grandchildren

## Final Resting Place

Rainbow Valley Cemetery Northwest of Ray, North Dakota

# Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Williston, North Dakota



Owen Norris Anderson was born August 30, 1935 at Good Samaritan Hospital in Williston, ND to Carl Rudolph and Oline Leite Anderson. He was raised on a farm northwest of Ray, ND. He was baptized and confirmed at Rainbow Valley Lutheran Church. He attended grade school at McGill and Rainbow Valley School and Ray High School Class of 1953. He then attended ND State School of Science in Wapheton and graduated with a degree in auto mechanics.

As a young man, Owen farmed with his Dad, worked at Stevahn's Grocery and helped Arden Solberg haul hay bales. In 1958, he met the love of his life and future wife Edith Rennerfeldt when they were deans at Farmer's Union Camp in Epping. On September 27, 1959, they were married at the Epping Lutheran Church.

Owen and Edith had 3 children, Donald Owen, Larry Wayne and Donna Rae. They lived on the Leite farm for 3 years and then when his folks moved to Ray in November of 1963, they moved to the Anderson Farm where they have continued to live.

Over the years Owen farmed, milked cows, worked a short time in the oil field and also worked 12.5 years at K&S Pipe Cleaners. He was an extremely talented woodworker which was a favorite hobby of his. You could ask him to make something and he would make it for you.

He was a life member of Rainbow Valley Church and when it closed, he belonged to Ray Lutheran Church. He served on Williams County Soil Conservation District for 20 years. Owen received the Young Farmer Award and the Soil Conservation award 2 times. He served on Ray Credit Union board, Ray Farmer's Union Oil board, Epping Elevator board and Rainbow Valley Church board for many years. He was on the Rainbow Valley Township board for 30 years. His greatest treasure was the replica of Rainbow Valley Church which took him 600 hours to complete. His children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were his pride and joy. He chip carved treasure boxes, crosses (over 100), a chip carved cabinet for all 8 of his grandchildren and also his children. He and Edith taught chip carving classes in several places in North Dakota and Miles City, Montana.

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When his sight turned, he could not see to chip carve which broke his heart. Many devices were tried to help his sight so he could carve, but none were found. He and Edith loved to dance and also Folk Dance at the Sons of Norway where they have been members of the Tioga Lodge for over 25 years and he held several offices there.

Owen was the most caring and loving husband, father, grandpa, great-grandpa and friend anyone could ever ask for. He will be missed by everyone that ever had the pleasure of meeting him, especially his family. He never left you without a smile, hug, kiss or handshake (usually all 4).

He is survived by his loving wife, Edith, of almost 62 years; Son Donald and his daughter Melinda Casey and her children Bruce, William, and Raechel Coker. Son Larry (Marilee) and their daughters Brandi (Bryan) Franck and their children Camryn, Jayson, and Hannah; Krista (Curtis) Nay and their children Karlee, Kaelyn, and Cayden; Tarina (Chad) Dietz and their children Carson and Carter; Natalie (Jacob) Ereth and their children Aurora and baby boy Ereth (due June 30th); and son Nathan Carl Anderson (Makenna Elert). Daughter Donna (Michael) Dragseth and their daughters Shannon (Tyler) Stafslien and their children Owen and Stella; Heather (Kevin) Steele and their children Mason and Lucy. Sisters-in-law Eloise (Edward) Forde and Thelma Hagen, Brothers-in-law Earl (Lois) Rennerfeldt and Dean Rehak. Also, many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandchildren Christopher Knudson, Cody, Dustin, Shad and Faith Dragseth; sister Carol and her husband Glen Salveson; father and mother-in-law Carl and Margaret Rennerfeldt; sister-in-law Clara Rehak and brother-in-law Leonard Hagen; Nephews, Rodney Salveson and Bradley Rehak.

GOD BLESS OWEN AND THE MEMORIES HE BROUGHT TO HIS FAMILY AND EVERYONE ELSE!!!

