

GOD LOOKED DOWN ON HIS PLANNED PARADISE AND SAID "I need a caretaker" so God MADE A Farmer.

IT HAD TO BE SOMEBODY WHO'D PLOW DEEP AND STRAIGHT AND not cut corners;

SOMEBODY TO SEED, WEED, FEED, BREED AND RAKE AND DISC AND plow and plant AND TIE THE FLEECE AND STRAIN THE MILK AND REPLENISH THE SELF-FEEDER AND FINISH A HARD WEEK'S WORK WITH A FIVE-MILE drive to church; SOMEBODY WHO WOULD BALE A FAMILY TOGETHER WITH THE SOFT strong BONDS OF SHARING, WHO WOULD LAUGH, AND THEN SIGH, AND THEN REPLY, WITH smiling eyes WHEN HIS SON SAYS THAT HE WANTS TO SPEND HIS LIFE "DOING WHAT DAD DOES"

so God MADE A Farmer.



# In Loving Memory Of Bennie "Baker" Finnicum

Born to Frances (Harkins) and Ross Finnicum March 8, 2024 ~ Clinton, Iowa

Peacefully Passed Away
October 15, 2024 ~ Billings, Montana

Mass of the Christian Burial

Monday, October 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm St. Matthew's Catholic Church ~ Sidney, Montana

### Officiating

Father Jim O'Neil ~ Presider Deacon Mitch Anderson ~ Officiant

#### Casketbearers

Scott Finnicum Clint Inskeep Matt Chatriand Eli Smith Shawn Murray Josh Roller Eric Wilson

#### Ushers

Tom Irigoin Jim Buckley

#### Music

Karen Truax ~ Vocalist Linette Miller ~ Accompanist

Final Resting Place
Finnicum Family Cemetery
Culbertson, Montana

Arrangements By
Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home
Sidney, Montana

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BENNIE "BAKER"
FINNICUM
MARCH 8, 2024 OCTOBER 15, 2024



Baker Finnicum was born on March 8, 1933, to Frances and Ross Finnicum in Clinton, Iowa. He moved to Andes community, Richland County at the age of three months. Baker attended school at Andes school until the 3rd grade and Mona school until Christmas of 7th grade when he then stayed home to help on the farm while his brother was deployed.

In 1951, Baker met Anne Ochs. They dated for two years before getting married in the courthouse in Sidney on August 22, 1953. They made their home on the family farm seven miles West of Andes. It was the beginning of a long and happy life, raising their five children and then enjoying the many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Baker enjoyed feeding the cows in the winter and tinkering in the shop. He was always happy to help the neighbors. His favorite time was harvest. He was a strong and quiet







man and had a passion for local history. He enjoyed roller skating and ice skating in his younger years. His eyes sparkled when he was happy or mischievous. His family treasured him and will miss him so much.

Baker passed away surrounded by family on October 15, 2024, at St. Vincent's Healthcare Center in Billings, Montana.

He was preceded in death by his wife Anne; parents Frances (Harkins) Jorgensen, Ross Finnicum and stepfather Marinus Jorgensen; siblings Ross Finnicum, Frances Finnicum, Betty Steffans, and Elvin Finnicum; and infant granddaughter, Mandalee.

Baker is survived by his children Benny (Vicki) Finnicum, Teresa (Pete) Mattison, Judy Finnicum, Doug (Tracie) Finnicum and Bob (Janae) Finnicum; and brother Lorin Finnicum. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and numerous great and great-great grandchildren.

