Peter "Pete" Ernest Rauser was born in Sheridan County, ND March 7, 1935. He attended school in Hurdsfield, ND where he enjoyed playing sports and working on the family farm. It was at this time he met his future wife, Donna Meier. They were married Nov. 6, 1955. To this union 4 children were born. Jeffrey, Kevin, Julie and Steven.

In 1956, Pete & Donna moved to Watford City where Pete started working in the oil field, first for Oil Field Services in various positions. From 1957 to 1963, he worked for Noble Drilling as a driller. In 1963, Pete went to work for Amerada Hess working from a pumper to consultant. He later worked at McKenzie County Hospital in maintenance until his retirement. Pete was always a hard worker, having accomplished his lifelong dream of someday owning a farm when in 1980, he purchased the former Gust & Freida Johnson farm where he farmed and maintained a cattle operation along with his regular 8-hour jobs. The farm gave a lot of pleasure to his grandchildren who loved to go to the farm with their grandpa.

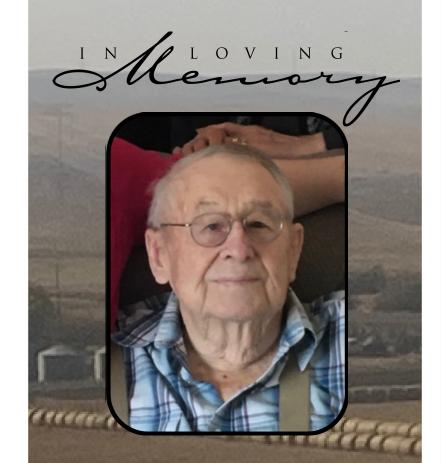
A family joke was Pete never was without a toothpick and "toothpicks" were everywhere!! We will be finding them for awhile!!

Pete passed away September 21, 2020, at the McKenzie County Hospital after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Pete is survived by his wife Donna, children Jeffrey (Linda) Rauser, Kevin (Linda) Rauser, Julie DiMeo and Steven (Cindy) Rauser. He also leaves behind his 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren who loved and will miss him dearly. Brothers Jim (Loyce) Rauser, Floyd (Joyce) Schiller, Brotherin-law Harold Rhoades, brothers and sisters in laws, Melvin (Vangie) Bentz and Gordon (Carol) Risa, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

All his friends are honorary pallbearers.

He was preceded in death by parents, Ernest & Elvira Rauser, sister Joy Rhoades, brothers Leonard, Melvin and 2 in infancy, Nylee DiMeo, Heather Halvorson, and in laws Albert & Bertha Meier.



PETER ERNEST RAUSER MARCH 7, 1935 SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

"And on the 8th day God looked down on his planned paradise and said, "I need a caretaker!"

So, God made a farmer!"





PETE RAUSER

BORN TO ERNEST & ELVIRA RAUSER MARCH 7, 1935~SHERIDAN CO., ND

PASSED AWAY

SEPTEMBER 21, 2020~WATFORD CITY, ND

FUNERAL SERVICES

1 1:00AM SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2020 FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH WATFORD CITY, ND

OFFICIATING

PASTOR GARRETT GUDMUNSEN

EULOGY

ROB FAVORITE

Music

CAROLINE SCHWARTZ ANN JOHNSRUD

CASKETBEARERS

JAMIE DIMEO CHRISTINA DIMEO-NEGEN
MICHAEL DIMEO AMBER RAUSER
KELSEY STETSON CORY RAUSER
DUSTIN RAUSER MARIAH HODGES
DYLAN RAUSER

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

ALL OF PETE'S FRIENDS

USHERS

DAVE BERG JIM TVETER

FINAL RESTING PLACE

SCHAFER CEMETERY WATFORD CITY, ND

LUNCHEON WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE BURIAL.

Miss me But let me go,

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room;
Why cry for a soul set free!

Miss me a little but not too long,
And not with your heads bowed low;
Remember the love that we once share,
Miss me But let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take,
And each must go alone;
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A stop on the way to home.

When you are lonely and sick of heart,
Go to the friends we know,
Laugh at all the things we used to do;
Miss meBut let me go!

