



## Carsten Karlstad

August 18, 1924 - January 21, 2015

Carsten Leroy Karlstad was born August 18, 1924 to Lars and Clara (Johnson) Karlstad of rural Hatton, ND. He attended Beaver Creek country school, near Hatton and graduated from Hatton High School in 1942.

He married Shirley Baptist in 1956. The couple had two sons.

In 1959, Carsten began farming near Hatton. On June 23, 1966, he married Guida Porter Zwick in Aberdeen, SD. They resided on the farm for 22 years, and in 1988, Valley City, ND became their new home. Together, they enjoyed traveling to many places, here and abroad. Guida passed away January 9, 2005.

Carsten especially enjoyed spending time at Lake Ashtabula, fishing, gardening, visiting with family and friends. He also enjoyed keeping up with sporting events, locally and on TV. His 90th birthday last August was shared with many friends and family at Hatton and was a special time for him.

He is survived by his two sons, Robert (Gail) Karlstad of Holden, MA and Russell (Joan) Karlstad of Worcester, MA; a granddaughter, Sara Karlstad; step-sons, Dwight Zwick of Centennial, CO, Grant Zwick of Valley City, ND, and Kent (Cecelia) Zwick, of Nine Mile Falls, WA; 8 step grandchildren; sisters, Mardell Ostenson of West Fargo, ND and Delores Hanson of Hatton; a sister-in-law, Avis Karlstad; a dear friend, Bette Bata of Langdon, ND; and many nieces and nephews.

Carsten was preceded in death by his parents; wife; brother, Palmer Karlstad; and a sister, Adeline (Neyssen) Erickson

The funeral service for Carsten Karlstad, 90, Valley City, ND will be held at 2:00 PM, Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Valley City. Burial will be later in the spring at St. John's Cemetery, Hatton, ND.

Carsten passed away peacefully at CHI Mercy Health in Valley City on Wednesday, January 21, 2014

Visitation will be held at the church Tuesday from 12 PM until 2 PM.

Funeral arrangements for Carsten have been entrusted to the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City. Please visit [www.oliver-nathanchapel.com](http://www.oliver-nathanchapel.com) to sign the online guestbook.

# Cemetery Details

## St. John's Cemetery

Hatton, ND

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
138 3rd St. NW  
Valley City, ND

## Funeral Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
138 3rd St. NW  
Valley City, ND

# Tribute Wall

GK

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**Gail Karlstad** - January 26, 2015 at 07:19 PM

TG

“ *Dear Family*

*You have my sympathy on Carsten's passing. I enjoyed getting to know him through Grant. He was a gentleman and I will miss his insight.*

*Tom Goven*

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**Tom Goven** - January 25, 2015 at 03:02 PM

 Lance  
Savageau

“ *I always enjoyed when we went to Hatton to see Carsten and Guida or when they came to see us. A giant of a man with an abundance of kindness. He will be greatly missed. Rest in peace you will always be remembered.*

*Nephew  
Lance Savageau*

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**Lance Savageau** - January 24, 2015 at 05:03 PM

DA

“ I first met Carsten on the farm in Hatton. He had baby racoons he rescued and to alittle kid that was awesome. I loved his smile and sweet personality. He will be greatly missed. RIP uncle.

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**Desiree Savageau Anderson** - January 24, 2015 at 12:53 PM

KK

“ I got to know Carsten when he married my Aunt Guida, always enjoyed our visits. Carsten was a very kind man. RIP Carsten and God bless his memory and his family.  
Carter and Kathaleen(Porter) Kleinsasser

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**KathE Kleinsasser** - January 23, 2015 at 10:07 PM

RA

“ I have so many precious memories with my grandpa. I spent time with him on his farm in Hatton, at Leech Lake, in Valley City, at Lake Ashtabula and in Minneapolis when he would come to visit. I remember how he liked to cook and bake. He would always bring cookies or pie when he came to visit. My favorite thing he made was oxtail soup. He was always so good to me and my family. I was so blessed by his kind and gentle spirit. I will miss him greatly.

*Roz Zwick Allyson*

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**Roz Allyson** - January 23, 2015 at 12:03 PM

RA

“ I started teaching and coaching in Hatton in 1969. I am from Mayville, so I am very much aware of the Karlstad legacy. As fate would have it, I met Carsten. Carsten asked me if I wanted to work with him on the farm. I spent the next 10 summers working with him. It was a good match. Carsten always treated me with respect. I think we both enjoyed talking about education, politics, sports, farming, ethics and whatever else may have been the thought for the day. You could even find us on the golf course.



I called Carsten on his 90th birthday. I had not talked with him for about 35 years. We had a lengthy and enjoyable visit. I told Carsten how much I enjoyed our relationship. I also told him that he had hired me some 45 years ago. I think he got a big bang out of that. I want Carsten's family to know how much love and respect I have had for my friend, Carsten. What a journey! What a legacy! I will always have a special place in my heart for Carsten, my Hatton Flyer! I wish you all the best.

Love, Ron Aasen

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Ron Aasen - January 23, 2015 at 08:45 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carsten Karlstad.



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January 23, 2015 at 06:53 AM

VR

“ I worked for Carsten for many years. I enjoyed his sense of humor and always thought he was such a very nice man. I will miss him and our conversations. Rest in peace Carsten. Vicky Royse



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**Vicky Royse** - January 22, 2015 at 06:44 PM

RK

“ Rest in peace Dad. I am so happy I was able to see you this past August, and speak with you only a week ago. I am sorry we did not have much more time together over the years.

God bless.

Love,

Bobby

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**Robert Karlstad** - January 22, 2015 at 04:15 PM