



## Earling Nelson

June 17, 1931 - May 29, 2009

Earling Albert Nelson was born on June 17, 1931 in Valley City, ND, the son of Albert and Anna (Greif) Nelson. He was a 1949 graduate of Valley City High School. He drove truck for Land O' Lakes.

On January 23, 1955, he married Shirley Strommen at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Valley City, where they made their home. He worked at Mercy Hospital for two years before he began his 33 year career with Valley City Parks and Recreation where he was the Park Superintendent.

Earling was a lifetime member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Valley City. He ushered there for many years. He was a member of the Valley City Fire Department for 18 years and was also a member of the Eagles Aerie 2192. Some of the things Earling enjoyed were golfing, reading, and the card club. His children and grandchildren were a great joy to him, especially when playing hide and seek with them. He also studied airplanes.

Earling is survived by his wife, Shirley, Valley City; daughter and son-in-law, Sandy and Wayne Nelson, Valley City and their children, Becky, Rachel (Kevin) Clemens, and Eric; son and daughter-in-law, Dennis and Becky Nelson, Casper, WY and their children, Arianne and Aubree; son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Lori Nelson, Rochester, MN and their children, Christopher, Sarah, and Katherine; daughter and son-in-law, Sharlene and Ryan Anderson, Fargo, ND and their children, Adrianna (Jeff) Gimbel and their children, Piper and Xander; Brandon, and Joshua; and a sister, Marlene (Earl) Priebe, Valley City.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Raymond, Russell, and Stanley.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND

## Service

JUN 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Our thoughts & prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Mel & Sue Proctor##imported-end##

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June 19, 2009 at 01:07 PM



“ Earling will be greatly missed. He will always be in our hearts. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family.##imported-begin##Robert and Ruby Proctor##imported-end##

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June 15, 2009 at 11:31 PM



“ Dear Shirley and family,  
We are sorry for the loss of Earling. He was a great confirmation mentor to Kyle as he was a great mentor for many other people. I still remember when I pleaded with him not to mark my tree with a red X and with a smirk he made the biggest X on the tree. I also remember my boys looking out the window to see if Earling had the Christmas Tree lit. They would tell me the progress if they saw the boon truck.  
He will be missed.  
Sincerely Mike, Jodi Kyle Kendall and Kasidy.##imported-begin##Mike and Jodi Ronningen##imported-end##

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June 02, 2009 at 04:10 PM



“ Dear Shirley and Family, I remember Earling as a hard-worker taking great care of our parks and buildings. I told him that obviously he was thought of very highly, because he was the only employee that we furnished with a convertible to use at his job. I can still see him tooling around town in his Jeep. Please accept our sympathy.  
Leon & Marleen Pytlik###imported-begin###Leon Pytlik###imported-end##

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June 02, 2009 at 03:10 PM



“ Shirley and Family,

*My deepest and most sincere thoughts and prayers go out to you in your time of sorrow. I have so many fond memories of Earling that I never ever will forget - the boat rides in the river, the fishing, the smell of chokecherry wine in the garage, the times he would bring me into either your house or Mom and Dad's house and make sure my face was clean! Just know that Earling is in a better place and he doesn't have to suffer anymore. May God be with you in and your family as you mourn your loss.*

*God Bless You!*

*Leslie (Skarloken) Olson###imported-begin###Leslie (Skarloken) Olson###imported-end##*

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June 01, 2009 at 04:20 PM



“ Shirley and Family Wish we could be there he will always be in our memories. sorry for your loss god is there and you are in our prayers###imported-begin###Bernard, Caroline, Gene Gierke###imported-end##

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June 01, 2009 at 04:05 PM



“ Shirley, and Family Sorry for the lost of Uncle Earling He and you will always be in our memories. Wish we could be there. Our Love always

Bruce, Terri, K.D.

Tricia , Jeremy Werdall##imported-begin##Bruce Gierke And Family##imported-end##

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June 01, 2009 at 03:59 PM



“ Shirley and Family

I have very fond memories of my godfather Earling. He was a wonderful man, and I will miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Erin Skarloken Kading##imported-end##

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June 01, 2009 at 12:41 PM



“ Dan and family,

I am so sorry to hear of your father's/grandfather's/father-in-law's death. You have our deepest sympathy,

David, Fran and Beth Reisner

Rochester, MN##imported-begin##Fran Reisner##imported-end##

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June 01, 2009 at 11:23 AM



“ Shirley and Family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. So sorry for  
your loss.

Joan Rausch Studebaker##imported-begin##Joan Rausch  
Studebaker##imported-end##

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June 01, 2009 at 02:53 AM



“ Dear Nelson families, Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies  
for your loss. May your hearts and souls find peace and  
comfort. God Bless each and every one of you.##imported-  
begin##Donald & Sandi Clemens and family##imported-end##

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May 31, 2009 at 11:20 PM



“ Shirley and Family, My Sympathy in your loss of Earling. My  
Prayers are with you at this time. Jo Larson##imported-begin##Jo  
Larson##imported-end##

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May 31, 2009 at 07:42 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you during this difficult  
time.##imported-begin##Tracey & Ron Dahl##imported-end##

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May 30, 2009 at 11:48 PM



“ Shirley and Family,  
My prayers and sympathies are with you all at this difficult time  
Sharon##imported-begin##Sharon Nilles##imported-end##

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May 30, 2009 at 10:16 AM



“ Shirley and Family,

*You are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. I have many fond memories of Earling from my childhood. God bless you and your family. Jerry Waagen##imported-begin##Jerry Waagen##imported-end##*

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May 30, 2009 at 09:05 AM



“ Thinking of you all at this time. Blessings,##imported-begin##Dennis AND Sharon##imported-end##

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May 29, 2009 at 11:44 PM