



Gordon Hansen

May 21, 1923 - August 5, 2010

Gordon Raymond Hansen was born, the son of Alfred and Inga (Anderson) Hansen, on May 21, 1923 on the family homestead near Litchville, ND. He attended Litchville School. His father died when Gordon was a young boy. Gordon farmed with his mother and also did carpentry work in the winter months.

On January 25, 1947 he married Grace Haarsager. They made their home on the family farm near Litchville, until moving to Valley City, ND in 1959. He worked for Leo Lumber for two years before starting Hansen Construction. Gordon worked until his failing health caused him to retire.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church where he was a past council member. He belonged to the Eagles and was formerly a member of the Elks. Spending time with his family was one of the things Gordon loved to do. He enjoyed woodworking and playing pinochle. He also liked driving around the countryside to look at the crops.

Gordon died at Mercy Hospital in Valley City on August 5, 2010 surrounded by his loved ones, under the care of Hospice of the Red River Valley. He is survived by his son, Terry (Pamela) Hansen of Jamestown, ND; daughters, Karen (Gary) DeBoer of Monticello, MN, Kathy (Tom) O'Flanagan of Cameron, WI, Connie (Pat) McGough of Valley City, and Cindy (Ryan) Wendel of Valley City; 16 grandchildren; 6 great grandchildren; sister, Ann Braga of Tacoma, WA; sister-in-law, Margie Hansen of Litchville, ND; many nieces and nephews; and a special friend, LeAnne Skretting of Valley City.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sons, Steven and Daryl; brothers, Clarence, Maynard, Wallace, and Roy; and sisters, Esther Belling, Mildred Ellison, and Alice Anderson.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **9**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

AUG **10**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
499 - 4th Ave. NW
Valley City, ND

Tribute Wall



“ *Many many fond memories of seeing Gordon in the eye office. Not only a patient but a dear friend. I always found a little bit of Norske went a long way. Hi to the family and Terry from our Guard days.*
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August 12, 2010 at 11:12 AM



“ *Dear Gordy*

I just want to say how much I loved you. You were my life for over thirty years. Thank you for all the many good times we had together. I cared for you and took very good care of you Gordy until the end. All my love to you Gordy. Love you always. I will miss you dearly Gordy. Love Leanne##imported-begin##Leanne Skretting##imported-end##

August 09, 2010 at 09:14 AM



“ *I wish I could be there to say goodbye to uncle Gordon and to see all of you once again. He was a great guy and I always enjoyed his company, I remember one time when we spent an evening in the Red Baron Lounge in Casselton N.D., I walked in and there he was, I think he was just passing through town, on the way home, I had the best time with him that evening and he met many of my home town friends and made many friends that night. I will never forget that night, he was the life of the party and I will always remember him with a smile on his face and a gleam in his eye.##imported-begin##scott hansen##imported-end##*

August 08, 2010 at 11:44 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of Uncle Gordon's family. I last saw him when Stanley brought him to my husband, Bob's, buriel service in Whatland Cemetery last November 14, 2009. He couldn't get out of the pickup to come into the reception in Absaraka, but I talked to him and he told me how happy he was to see me and "Little Janice" (my daughter, LeAnn). He was a great guy and will be grealy missed by all, and expecially those closest to him.

Janice Faye Hansen Mickelson###imported-begin##Janice Faye Hansen Mickelson###imported-end##

August 08, 2010 at 07:41 PM



“ Dad, You were always my hero. I love you so much. I was with you when you took your last breath and I will always treasure being there for you so you weren't alone in the end. Now you can breath with ease and your struggling is over. I know you are watching over me today as you always have, and that brings me comfort. You taught me so many things like how to hammer a nail in just two strikes, I sat on your lap while you played pinochle and begged you to teach me the game. (which you did and now I must say I'm pretty good at, hah) I remember watching Gunsmoke and eating popcorn with you many Monday nights and you would draw Miss Kitty's face on my hand. How I treasure those memories. Thank you for being my father and a wonderful Grmpa to Ashley. She also has so many great memories too. Like she said in her facebook post, "I'll see you in the funny papers". Goodbye for now, I'll see you again in the arms of our heavenly father. Love always, your bestest girl,

Connie###imported-begin##Connie & Pat###imported-end##

August 07, 2010 at 11:17 PM



“Gordy it was an honor to have been a friend of yours. I am glad I was able to visit with you on Tuesday Night at the Hospital I really thought you would be here a little longer. My father really liked you so much and it was fun to see you every time I came to Valley City I will really miss that it won't be the same. You were right in telling me how lucky I am. Wish we could have worked together I always enjoyed working with older people there was so much to learn from them. I learned from you how precious life really is. Will see you again you will be missed.

Love Jim###imported-begin##Jim Johnson###imported-end##

August 06, 2010 at 10:20 PM



“No one enjoyed lutefisk, a good brandy and a rousing game of pinochle more than uncle Gordy. The Norwegian accents always seemed to get just a little thicker at the family gatherings when he was around. :) He will be greatly missed. Our thoughts go out to all the family and friends who are missing his so dearly right now.###imported-begin##Paul & Stacie (Hansen) Leier###imported-end##

August 05, 2010 at 10:30 PM