



## Lowell Monson

July 24, 1925 - March 4, 2012

On March 4, 2012 Lowell Alvin Monson (86), Litchville, ND left his earthly journey for his heavenly home. He was born July 24, 1925 on a farm in Meadow Lake Township to parents Albert and Lillian (Lee) Monson. He was baptized in the Lutheran church at Ypsilanti and confirmed at St. Thomas Church, rural Litchville.

Lowell attended Plano #66 grade school and Clark City High School. He joined his father in working the Monson grain and cattle business at a young age and eventually took over the full responsibility of that trucking business. In 1946 he was called to serve his country in the military. He did basic at Camp Polk, LA. and then was sent to Japan where he served as a medic. Lowell was discharged from service in late 1947.

Lowell married WillaMae "Billie" Middlestead at Marion Lutheran Church on June 12, 1949. To this union 6 children were born. He lived in the Litchville area all of his life. In his retirement Lowell managed the Litchville Bowling Alley. He volunteered delivering Meals on Wheels. In Lowell's last few weeks he resided at the Sheyenne Care Center in Valley City.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Billie; two daughters: Corinne Erwin, Herndon, VA and Mavis Monson, Valley City, ND; two sons: Marlowe Monson, Litchville and Thomas H. Monson, Valley City; six grandchildren: Seth Erwin,

Reston, VA; Brandon Krenz, Lewisville, TX; Zelma Renfro, Lewis Renfro, and Jacob Renfro, Casa Grande, AZ; Sausha Renfro, Valley City; and eight great-grandchildren; five brothers: Wayne and Rodney (Barbara), Jamestown, ND; Edward (Jean), Lakefield, MN., Dale (Virginia), Mandan, ND and Lorne, Fargo, ND; five sisters: Marilyn (Robert) Burkhardt, Neldae Frank, Arlyce (Leonard) Chadwick, Jamestown; Lois Hofmann, Fargo; Julaine (Mark) Monson/Cumming, Missoula, MT; sisters-in-law, Donna (Noelyn) Monson, Litchville, and Eileen Afdahl, AZ, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Lowell was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Krenz and a son, Robin Allen Monson, his parents, two brothers: Noelyn and Allen; a sister-in-law Donna (Wayne) Monson and two brothers-in-law, George Frank and Richard Hofmann.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church  
506 5th St.  
Litchville, ND

# Tribute Wall



“ I was blessed to have such a wonderful grandfather growing up. I have such great memories of the summers, holidays, and many other times I visited him and my grandmother in Litchville. Going with him to the bowling alley, watching him tend to the garden, him teasing my grandma, delivering meals with him, watching him play solitaire at the kitchen table, and so many more! I will miss him always! At least until I see him again one day... I am very sad and sorry that I could not make it to ND for the funeral... My prayers are with my wonderful family during this time...  
I love you gramps!##imported-begin##Zelma Renfro##imported-end##

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March 12, 2012 at 06:56 PM



“ Billie and family,  
Lowell was such a nice and kind man. His heart was as big as he was. He always liked his girl's. He used to come out to my parents farm to treat the cattle. Walter and Ella can catch up on old times with Lowell. You have our deepest sympathy.  
Glenn and Marilyn Lahlum##imported-begin##Marilyn Lahlum##imported-end##

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March 12, 2012 at 02:22 PM



“ *Billie and family,*

*Our apologies, as we will not be able to make the funeral, but our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Jim, Elke & Kyle Bangerter##imported-begin##Jim Burkhardt##imported-end##*

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March 11, 2012 at 01:43 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##lester schuldheisz##imported-end##*

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March 11, 2012 at 11:02 AM



“ *Billie and family:*

*Our thoughts and prayer are with you all. We will miss Lowell dearly. May God Bless you all.*

*JoAnne Skramstad & Family.##imported-begin##JoAnne Skramstad##imported-end##*

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March 10, 2012 at 11:30 AM



“ *Lowell you were a great man and an even better mentor. You raised a family that I was close with and I will always remember those days fondly.##imported-begin##Travis Lobsinger##imported-end##*

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March 09, 2012 at 10:49 PM



“ Our sympathies go out to all the Monson family, especially Billie. We are so sorry for your loss. We know what kind of place you're in right now. Lowell was a patient and kind man. I miss those days at the bowling alley. He's probably catching up with Dan & Dorothy. :)###imported-begin##Loren & Pat Larson###imported-end##

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March 09, 2012 at 10:41 PM



“ Billie and family.

Barb and I just wanted you to know we are thinking of you and praying that you are comforted by the hope of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rod###imported-begin##Rod & Barb Monson###imported-end##

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March 09, 2012 at 06:04 PM



“ This brings to you our deepest sympathy, and though the words are few, we hope you know that many thoughts are there today with all of the Monson family.  
May all your wonderful memories comfort you during this time of sorrow.###imported-begin##Chuck and Toni Reinke###imported-end##

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March 09, 2012 at 01:14 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers to Billie and the rest of the family. Thanks for the many great memories at the bowling alley Lowell!###imported-begin##JODI ORNER###imported-end##

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March 08, 2012 at 01:22 PM



“ Sympathy to your entire family. Of course when I think of Lowell, the Bowling Alley comes to mind. All the hours you both spent in there giving others the chance to have fun. My nieces and nephew loved to go and see Lowell when they were in Litchville visiting their grandpa and grandma. Chris mentioned not long ago how he remembered coloring pictures for Lowell and he'd hang them in the Bowling Alley. They'd come back the next summer and their pictures would still be on the wall. Like Chris said "Only in Litchville!!!" Lowell would then tell them "I think I need some new pictures!" Blessed be the memory of Lowell. Sandy and Dan##imported-begin##Dan and Sandy Nelson##imported-end##

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March 08, 2012 at 12:46 PM



“ Our Sincere condolences to Billie and family, Marlowe, Cory and Mavis.  
Love  
Rick & Kay Burkhardt & family##imported-begin##Rick & Kay Burkhardt##imported-end##

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March 07, 2012 at 10:36 PM



“ Lowell has been a special person in my life, from the time I was a little boy, he will always be remembered.##imported-begin##Roger Berg##imported-end##

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March 07, 2012 at 09:56 PM



“ Billy and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you. Rest in peace Lowell.##imported-begin##Clay and Pam Haugen##imported-end##

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March 07, 2012 at 07:54 PM



“ *Billie & Family,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Uncle Lowell was a kind gentle man that loved everyone he met. May the lord comfort all of you at this time.*

*Lisa, Bryan, BryAnna, Baxter & LiAnna##imported-begin##Lisa Hoffer##imported-end##*

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March 07, 2012 at 11:25 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of Lowell, he is now in the gentle hands of our Lord. He was a kind man.##imported-begin##Bruce & Renee Haseleu##imported-end##*

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March 06, 2012 at 11:54 PM



“ *Billy and family*

*Sorry to hear about Lowell passing away. We know it has been a struggle. You are all in our prayers and thoughts during this difficult time. Take care.##imported-begin##Robert and Kay Willson##imported-end##*

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March 06, 2012 at 11:26 PM



“ Billie, Marlowe, Tom, Corrine, Mavis and families - -  
My prayers go out to all of you tonight as you grieve the loss of  
husband, father and grandfather. I was so glad that I was able to  
share memories with him a few Sundays ago. I will miss our visits - -  
but Lowell and Mom and Dad must be having quite a reunion. Take  
care of each other - - Love, Lois##imported-begin##Lois A.  
Hofmann##imported-end##

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March 06, 2012 at 10:54 PM



“ Rest in peace.my thoughts and prayers are with you all.I will truly  
miss him . We have lots of memories .##imported-begin##Cindy  
andKevin Loibl##imported-end##

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March 05, 2012 at 09:58 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with Billie and the family at this time.  
  
from Lowell's "Rocky Baby"  
-Roxanne##imported-begin##Roxanne Baumgartner##imported-  
end##

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March 05, 2012 at 04:28 PM



“ Rest in peace uncle.##imported-begin##Vickie##imported-end##

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March 05, 2012 at 03:40 PM