



## Lynn Franklin Van Dyke

October 31, 1958 - June 4, 2020

The funeral service for Lynn Franklin Van Dyke, 61, Ypsilanti, ND will be 10:30 am Monday, June 8, at Marion School Gymnasium, Marion, ND. Visitation will be 9 am to 10:30 am at school on Monday. Burial will be in the North Marion Cemetery, Marion. He died unexpectedly on the family farm on Thursday, June 4.

Lynn Franklin Van Dyke was born on October 31, 1958 in Jamestown, ND, the son of Frank G. and Joyce (Miedema) Van Dyke. Lynn graduated from Montpelier High School in 1976. He attended NDSCS in Wahpeton, ND for two years and graduated with a degree in diesel mechanics. Lynn married the love of his life, Pamela Radtke, on June 16, 1984.

Lynn's passion was always to farm. They made their home on the Harold Miedema Farm, where sons Chad and Cory were raised and became Lynn's right-hand men. In 1998, the family moved to the Ernest Miedema "Come & Stay" farm.

These are "the facts." But Lynn was so much more. He was always ready with a joke or a story. He was a deep thinker who was unwilling to accept "easy answers." He understood that being human can be difficult and he did not pass judgment on the many human shortcomings. He talked a lot (often interrupting!) and his mind never stopped thinking, reflecting and going full speed. He acknowledged and felt other people's pain in a profound way and had a hard time accepting it because he so wished it "could be fixed." But if you were close to him, you knew he cared deeply. Lynn probably could have "visited" with a fence post but he felt genuine interest in people of all kinds.

One of Lynn's favorite sayings was "Carry On." We are heartbroken that we must carry on without him, but we believe he is at peace and we will cherish many wonderful memories of him, in our hearts, forever.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank G. and Joyce Van Dyke and by his mother-in-law, Gertrude Radtke.

Lynn is survived by his wife, Pamela and sons, Chad (Jill) of rural Glenfield, ND and Cory (Kayla) and grandson Zander, age 2 of rural Marion, ND. He is also survived by 4 siblings, Judy (Rog) Punt of Woodbury, MN, Kaylene (Verlyn) Hemmen of Eagan, MN, Curtis (Katy) Van Dyke of Valley City, ND and Keith (Lisa) Van Dyke of Maple Grove, MN; his father-in-law, Wally Radtke of St Paul, MN; in-laws, Rick (Sue) Radtke, Big Lake, MN and Cheryl (Jim) Shaffer, Newhall, IA; along with many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and many

good friends.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City, ND. An online guestbook is available at [www.oliver-nathanchapel.com](http://www.oliver-nathanchapel.com)

# Cemetery Details

## North Marion Reformed Cemetery

5023 SE 98th Ave  
Marion, ND

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 8. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Marion High School Gymnasium  
Marion, ND

## Funeral Service

JUN 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

Marion High School Gymnasium  
Marion, ND

# Tribute Wall

VE

“ Cory Van dyke was added to the Family Tree.

Verlyn - September 18, 2020 at 12:54 AM

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“ Kaylene Joy Hemmen was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Judith Punt was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Keith Van dyke was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Curt Franklin Van dyke was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Joyce Miedema was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Frank G Van dyke was added to the Family Tree.

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“ 1 file added to the album Lynn Van Dyke's Funeral Service



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - June 09, 2020 at 02:25 PM

JB

“ I served on church committees with Lynn at the upc. He was a good and caring man. God bless his family .

Jim Bond - June 09, 2020 at 12:49 PM

BG

“ I was so sorry to hear of Lynn's passing. I knew Lynn as a child when my parents would go on a trip and I would stay with Aunt Joyce and Uncle Frank on the farm. It was such a busy and fun place to be with all the kids and animals and hay loft. I never knew Lynn as an adult. I enjoyed reading about him though and wish I had known him better. He was family and his loss touches me. For all the family, please accept my heartfelt condolences. A special acknowledgement to Judy and Kay who I know well. Beth Siderius Geense

Beth Siderius Geense - June 09, 2020 at 10:42 AM

CE

“ Lynn was a joy to the UPC church in Jamestown where I used to attend. I always enjoyed visiting with him and appreciated his great humor and genuine personality. Sympathy and prayers to Lynn's family and the whole community. He will surely be missed but thank God for all the great memories we can carry in our hearts. Blessings

Chris Eriksen

Chris Eriksen - June 07, 2020 at 03:49 PM

MB

“ I will always remember Lynn as a customer but mostly as a friend. When he would come in for parts he would let us know that things cost to much, then when he was halfway to the door, he would turn around and have to tell us a joke or two. Then he would grin and walk out the door. Bless his memory. Will miss him

Mark Brandvold - June 07, 2020 at 03:26 PM

SP

“ My heart goes out to all of Lynn's family and friends. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May wonderful memories sustain you.  
Sheila (Miedema) Peterson

Sheila Peterson - June 07, 2020 at 01:11 PM

GB

“ Dear Pam and Family,  
Jackie and I are deeply sorry for your loss.  
We loved Lynn as a brother and were always moved by his experiences, jokes and love of others. We knew we would be friends as soon as we met him.  
Jackie and George Barnes

George H Barnes - June 07, 2020 at 01:03 PM



“ My heart is breaking for you Pam, Chad and Cory. I rem when your family was there for us when we lost Chuck. I wish I could attend his celebration of life, but I'm in Az. My good memories are overflowing, and all w his grin 😊 from way back in VBS, bible camp and couples club to videos of our boys in grade school and church Christmas programs... thank u for the great writing in his obituary. I could relate to all w his kind personality. Pass on those good traits he left u - with your children Chad and Cory! Let the peace of Christ be with you 🙏  
💕lovingly , Pat Hartman- Hoffman

Pat Flach Hartman Hoffman - June 07, 2020 at 12:25 PM

BW

“ Dear Pam please accept our deepest condolences. We didn't know Lynn well but after reading the many inspiring comments written about Lynn the world will a little less bright without him. God Bless you and your family.

Bob & Pauleen Wiedl - June 07, 2020 at 10:56 AM

RM

“ So sorry to hear of Lynn's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family during this difficult time.

Rachel Mount - June 06, 2020 at 11:16 PM



Jamie VanderWal

“ Lynn farmed only a couple miles from my family's farm (now my brother lives on the homestead). Growing up I always enjoyed talking with Lynn & enjoyed his humor. He formerly attended the country church where I attended growing up. Lynn is smiling in heaven today!!! But PRAYING for over Lynn's precious family.

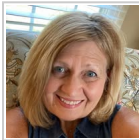
Jamie VanderWal - June 06, 2020 at 08:22 PM

CM

“ Our deepest sympathy on the loss of Lynn. Curt and Christine Marshall



Curt and Christine Marshall - June 06, 2020 at 07:51 PM



“ I was so sad to learn of Lynn's death. Your family is in my prayers. I pray you will feel the loving and comforting arms of God surround you.

Diane Burton - June 06, 2020 at 06:38 PM

RM

“ Heartfelt Sympathy And Prayers To Pam And Your Family. We Are So Sorry To Hear This News. So Many Happy Memories Of Lynn When He Was A Student At Montpelier High School And Throughout His Adult Life. He was So Fun To Talk And Laugh When Visiting. His Sence Of Humor Was So Uplifting! He Will Be Greatly Missed.

Rick and Carma Maddock - June 06, 2020 at 06:23 PM

DD

“ My sincere condolences to family and friends of Lynn. May he rest in the arms of angels and our heavenly father Jesus Christ. I Always appreciated your sense of humour Lynn. In the short time we were around each other past 45 years I truly always enjoyed your company. I still have good child hood memories of you and your brothers jumping the road on motorcycles on the family farm. God Bless!

David B. DuVall,

Missouri

David B. DuVall - June 06, 2020 at 02:53 PM

BH

“ I'm so saddened to hear this about Lynn. He was such a sweet man. I got to know him when his mom lived at Bridgeview Estates. He was always giving hugs and had the kindest heart. May God be by your side at this sad moment! Prayers to all his family.

Bonnie Howe - June 06, 2020 at 02:25 PM

LB

“ Len and Lynn Boom purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Lynn Franklin Van Dyke.



Len and Lynn Boom - June 06, 2020 at 01:17 PM

FF

“ From all of us at Sky Farmer purchased the Sentimental Dreams for the family of Lynn Franklin Van Dyke.



From all of us at Sky Farmer - June 06, 2020 at 01:06 PM

JM

“ Lynn was a beloved 2nd cousin. Our families went to North Marion church together and we spent many Sunday's together in Sunday School and Youth Group together. He liked to tease me and others. It was like having another brother. I pray for peace and comfort for Pam and the entire Van Dyke family.

Janelle Miedema - June 06, 2020 at 12:57 PM

JL

“ Prayers and love to you Pam and your family in this time of great sorrow. Though his journey on earth is done he is now with the heavenly Father in eternal glory.



JOANN Larson - June 06, 2020 at 12:47 PM

BH

“ *Brenda & Dennis Rowe , Bryan and Diane Hanson purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Lynn Franklin Van Dyke.*



**Brenda & Dennis Rowe , Bryan and Diane Hanson** - June 06, 2020 at 11:25 AM

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“ *The Class of 2007 purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Lynn Franklin Van Dyke.*



**The Class of 2007** - June 06, 2020 at 10:09 AM

BP

“ *Our hearts reach out to all the families who will miss Lynn's presence; but especially his immediate family. Our prayers are rising each time we think of your sorrow. May God's love give you strength and courage in the days ahead.*

*He loved Bill's flatbread and each time we talked to him would ask if Bill was "still making it" and tell him how good it was. His smile and eye twinkle could make our day!*

*Shalom, Bill and Karen Paulson Elbow Lake, MN*

**Bill Paulson** - June 06, 2020 at 07:32 AM

CH

*Sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Lynn. May the Lord hold you in his arms at this sorrowful time.*

**Carol Haarsager** - June 06, 2020 at 04:32 PM

ME

*My deepest sympathy to the family of Lynn. I remember him with a big smile, always ready for a good time. I served as a "mother's helper" when Joyce brought Lynn home from the hospital and I thought he was the absolute cutest and most wonderful baby boy ever! (as did his family!!) Though now we morn his loss, Lynn is at peace. May God comfort you in your time of deep sorrow as you wait the time when you will see him again.*

*Marlene (Van Dyke) Eidsmoe*

**Marlene (Van Dyke) Eidsmoe** - June 06, 2020 at 11:34 PM

ED

*We extend our condolences to Pam, Chad and Cory.  
We wish you the strength to bear this great loss.*

*We remember our nice conversation with Lynn the day before the Van Dyke family reunion in Valley City in 2019.*

*On behalf of the Van Dijk / Van Dyke family in the Netherlands, Elly and Peter van den Heuvel - Van Dijk.*

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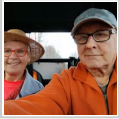
**Elly van den Heuvel - van Dijk** - June 07, 2020 at 07:56 AM

CM

*Thinking of all the Van Dyke family during this very sad time. The loss of someone we love never leaves us, but special memories help you cope. Cathy Cumber Martin*

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**Cathy Cumber Mzrtin** - June 07, 2020 at 01:42 PM



*to my Van Dyke cousins:*

*Just like Grandma Van Dyke found peace listening to "Songs in the Night" I would like to share with you the last verse from In Christ Alone.*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand.  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.*

*As you endure this temporary separation from Lynn, may you stand strong with the unfailing love of God the Father, the scandalous beauty of Christ dying for our sins, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah! What a Savior! All our love from Him who loved us first.*

*Your eternal cousins in Christ, Don/Verla (Van Dyke) Van Sloten*

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**Verla Van Sloten** - June 07, 2020 at 06:50 PM

MS

*My sincere condolences to family and friends. I will tell the news on the dutch website about the Van Dyke family*

*<https://vandijksexbierum.blogspot.com/2011/11/familienieuws.html>. I hope that This is allright to the family.*

*Maartje van Sluis*

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**Maartje van Sluis** - June 08, 2020 at 04:52 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lynn Franklin Van Dyke.*



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June 05, 2020 at 11:12 PM