



Orvis Peterson

August 28, 1931 - February 2, 2017

Orvis Kenneth Peterson was born in Norma Township, Fingal, North Dakota, on August 28, 1931 to Carl and Christine (Falstad-Solie) Peterson. He was the 4th born of 13 children. He attended country schools within the township. He was baptized into the Lutheran Faith.

In September 1952, he was drafted into the army. He served in the Korean War from 1952- 1954 and was honorably discharged from the service in 1960. On December 31, 1952 he married Maxine Ussatis at Zion Lutheran Church in Nome. They were married for 64 years. Together they raised six children: Randy Peterson, JoNell (Duane) Schaefer, Valley City, Joel (Renee) Peterson, Ogema, MN, Mike (Mary) Peterson, Nome, Daniel Peterson, and Jill (Kermit) Pederson, Fingal.

They lived in Nome for several years before purchasing a farm by Fingal. He was happiest living in the country and raising pigs, chickens, horses, cows, ducks, and geese.

After returning from the Korean War he worked for Wm Collins & Sons of Fargo doing road construction and also with Jens Tennefos of Fargo. He was always proud to talk about being a part of building I-94, I-29, Highway 32 and several other roads throughout ND. He eventually left to join his uncle John Solie in farming. On his free time he did a lot of mechanical work. He continued to farm for several years until retiring.

Orvis was very proud to be a veteran. He was a lifetime member of the D.A.V. He is survived by his wife, Maxine, his children, four grandchildren, Tiffany

(Clint) Jewett, Valley City, Johnathan Peterson, Nome, Kristen Peterson, West Fargo, Olivia Pederson, Fingal; and great grandchildren, Hailey Schaefer, James and Addi Jewett, Valley City; step-grandchildren, Alicia (Andy) Kemper (Mason and Easton Kemper), Matt Haverkamp (fiancé Kayla Lundon), Matt Pederson (Nathan Pederson and Paige Reinke) and Chris Pederson (Mason Pederson); brothers, Don (Doris) Peterson, West Fargo, Ron (Cleo) Peterson, Fargo, Marvin Peterson, Kentland, Indiana; sisters, Olga Pinke, Valley City, Sharon (Jake) Bierley, Helen Lemna, both of Kentland, and Jean (Jerome) Ussatis, Moorhead, Minnesota.

Orvis was preceded in death by his son, Daniel Peterson, a grandson, Matthew Schaefer, his parents, two sisters, Clarice Peterson and Alice (Ray) Monson, and three brothers, Merlin, James and Walter; and several aunts and uncles and cousins, including Richard and Gilman Peterson.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

FEB 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church
309 4th St NE
Valley City, ND

Tribute Wall

DJ

“ Our sympathy to Maxine and the whole family. Orvis lived his life with service, humor and love. Anyone who lives on in your heart can never die. May his memory be blessed!

Dale and Cindy Johnson - February 09, 2017 at 06:36 PM

JK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Orvis and his family. I always enjoyed visiting with Orvis when I would see him and Gilmon in Fingal. Always happy with that great sense of humor. He will be missed.
God Bless.
Jeff Kapaun

Jeff Kapaun - February 07, 2017 at 01:00 PM

JK

“ Jeff Kapaun lit a candle in memory of Orvis Peterson



Jeff Kapaun - February 07, 2017 at 12:56 PM

TO

“ I was saddened when I saw this in the paper. We went back a lot of years together, always fun to b.s. with -I worked for the ND Hwy Dept and Orvis-and a lot of others-worked for wm Collins & sons, and Tenefos Constr. Had a lot of fun conversations. My deepest sympathies to the family and friends. terry olson

Terry Olson - February 05, 2017 at 10:10 AM

AU

“ Joel, Renee and family, sorry for your loss you are in our thoughts and prayers. Chad, Audrey and Zach Gent

audrey - February 04, 2017 at 05:21 PM

DB

“ my mother Alice, sister said she was very close to orvis.they were close in age and she said when they were little they always got in trouble from dad because they were always giggling at the table.they were sent away from table many times. now they will both be in heaven.if we hear any thunder its probably them.im glad they had fun and were close. rip peace orvis.my sympathies to the family.dianne

Dianne brager - February 04, 2017 at 07:30 AM

NK

“ Sorry for your families loss. I always enjoyed visiting with Orvis when we lived in Nome and my boys enjoyed getting free suckers from him at the store. Aaron and Nikki Kvalnes

Nicole Kvalnes - February 04, 2017 at 04:13 AM