



Dale Wilkinson Sr., 82, of Faulkton and formerly of Miranda, passed away Friday, April 17, 2015 at the Faulkton Area Medical Center.

Dale was born January 4, 1933 to Ward and Verna (Ham) Wilkinson. He attended grade school in Rockham and Miranda. He spent most of his career at the Miranda Farmer's Elevator where he was known for driving the gas truck and working in the grain elevator.

On June 27, 1954 Dale was united in marriage to Beverly Wiley at Plymouth Congregational Church in Clark. They recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their family.

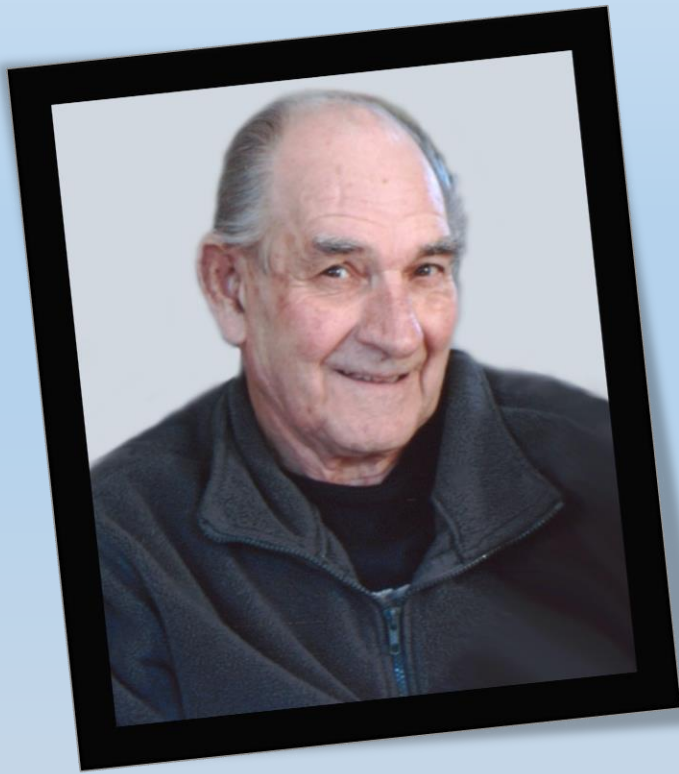
Dale was an active member of the Miranda and Faulkton United Methodist Church and Odd Fellows. He served on the Miranda Cemetery, Miranda Church, and Arcade Township boards.

In 1960, Dale and Bev purchased and operated Dale's Market until 1984. Dale continued to work at the Miranda Farmer's Elevator until his retirement in 1996.

Dale spent his time mowing hay land and road ditches. He enjoyed keeping the town of Miranda and the Miranda Cemetery looking nice. His hobbies included playing cards with family and friends, dancing and listening to music, and coffee time at the Miranda Elevator. He loved being a Grandpa and spending time with his grandchildren. Dale was always willing to help anyone in need no matter how small or great the task.

Grateful for having shared his life is his wife, Beverly of Faulkton; and his five children, Dale (Diane) Wilkinson of Copperas Cove, TX, Pam (Marv) Hutchinson of Faulkton, Jay (Crystal) Wilkinson of Salem, Deann (Brian) Bauer of Mellette, Keith (Stacie) Wilkinson of Aberdeen; 15 grandchildren – Shane (Susan), Tracy (Dusty), Crystal, Tabby, Kelli (Jerry), Jarrod (Alicia), Nick (Corrie), Miranda, Trevor, Brittany, Alex, Ethan, Isaac, Lauren, Lincoln; and 19 great-grandchildren and one brother in law: Carl Hagenlock of Onaka.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents; sisters: Norma Belau and Jeane Hagenlock; brother, Bud Wilkinson and two infant sisters, Darlene and Donna.



Treasured Seasons

*For everything there is
An appointed season,
And a time for everything
under heaven-
A time for sharing,
a time for caring.
A time for loving,
a time for giving:
A time for remembering,
a time for parting.
You have made everything
beautiful in its time
for everything YOU do
remains forever.*

In Loving Memory of

Dale Wilkinson, Sr.

January 4, 1933
Faulkton, South Dakota

April 17, 2015
Faulkton, South Dakota

Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 23, 2015, Luce Funeral Home, Faulkton, South Dakota

Celebration of Life Service: 1:30 p.m., Friday, April 24, 2015
United Church of Faulkton, Faulkton, South Dakota

Officiating: Pastor Bill Hoffman

Ushers: Jerry Fischer and Bob Hadrick

Casket Bearers: "Grandchildren" Shane Wilkinson, Tracy Marshall, Tabitha Woods, Crystal Nichols, Kelli Grismer, Jarrod Hutchinson, Nick Hutchinson, Miranda Wilkinson, Trevor Wilkinson, Brittany Bauer, Alex Bauer, Ethan Bauer, Isaac Bauer, Lauren Wilkinson, Lincoln Wilkinson

Honorary Casket Bearers: Dale's 19 Great Grandchildren, Carl Hagenlock, Delores Ford,
All of Dale's Miranda Elevator & Coffee Friends

Organist: Marlene Hammond **Congregational Hymns:** "Hymn of Promise" "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Vocalist: John Cassens ~ "Amazing Grace" "The Lord's Prayer" "On Eagle's Wings"

Interment: Miranda Cemetery ~ Miranda, South Dakota

Arrangements by: Luce Funeral Home, Faulkton, South Dakota, www.familyfuneralhome.net