

93 and Free

Rising before his alarm
Old McDonald starts chores on the farm
Sheep, cows, chickens too
You knew you were at grandpa's when you
heard the rooster; cock a doodle doo

Kids, grandkids everywhere
You could always find Fudd, cuz he had no hair

Glasses and a big ole smile
Riding in the four wheeler down North Pole Road
(which goes for miles and miles)

Heading to Custer to find something to do
Stop at the grocery store for some food

Circled the chocolate peanuts a few times
When he scooped up a handful
I couldn't believe my eyes
He ate them like he had done it before
And he started to laugh as we walked out the store

He worked hard his whole life,
had a lot of friends, loved his wives
Fudd always was there to lend a hand
He has always been a wholesome man

His life has been so blessed
But now his body needs to rest

It's always hard to watch someone like this go
But he knows we love him, and he loves us

Thank you for everything Grampa Fudd ❤️
By Brittany Edgar



Faulton, South Dakota
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In Loving Memory Of

Donald "Fudd" James Edgar

May 6, 1928
Orient, South Dakota

March 5, 2022
Redfield, South Dakota

WAKE SERVICE:

5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 13, 2022
St. Joseph Catholic Church ~ Orient, South Dakota

MUSIC: *"Thank You For Being My Dad"*

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

10:30 a.m., Monday, March 14, 2022
St. Joseph Catholic Church ~ Orient, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Fr. Randy Phillips

LECTORS: Jeremy Edgar and Travis Edgar

MASS SERVERS: Tilden Edgar and Cash Edgar

OFFERTORY: Troy and DJ Edgar,
Raymond and Isaiah Edgar, and Thomas Edgar

PLACING OF THE PALL: Jennifer Schulz, April Johannsen,
Marissa Wittrock, Talie Goossen, Brittany Edgar,
Courtney Edgar, Jolene Edgar, and Danielle Edgar

USHERS: Jared and Austin McCloud

CASKET BEARERS: William Edgar, Bo McCloud, Ben Laabs,
Andrew Edgar, Trevan Edgar, and Tyler Edgar

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS: All of Fudd's Grandchildren,
Great Grandchildren, Family, Friends, and his Custer Neighbors

MUSICIANS: Carol Esser and Theresa Edgar

HYMNS: *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"* *"Be Not Afraid"*
"I Am the Bread of Life" *"Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone"*
"Song of Farewell" *"On Eagle's Wings"*

INTERMENT:

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery ~ Orient, South Dakota

Donald "Fudd" James Edgar was born May 6, 1928 to Waldo P. and Mary (Aesoph) Edgar. He joined older brother Richard. According to Donald, his mom went into labor while at a movie in Orient. They lived on a farm NE of Orient for a couple years before moving to a place south of Redfield called Twin Lakes. In 1941 the family moved to their new place NW of Rockham. Some of Donald's favorite childhood memories were swimming endlessly in the homemade pool from the overflow of the wells to the lake and "ranch rodeoing" with the neighbor kids while their parents were gone to town shopping and trading. He remembers his mom making the best fried chicken, helping in her huge garden, and watching her sweep up inches of dust from all the dust storms of the 30's with her dustpan and turkey wing sweeper.

In 1934 Donald started school in a one room schoolhouse with 28 kids, 5 of whom were named Donald. He continued his education in Rockham and graduated from Orient High School in 1947. While in Orient he boarded with Josie Baloun. He worked at the grocery store as a butcher. When the butchering business was slow, he would build mink traps for his trapping business. He also did custom baling and plowing. In 1946 he bought a Model B car for \$60. It quickly became known as the "Fuddmobile", a source of many good times.

November 16, 1953, he married Dolores Pottebaum in Orient. They settled on the home place east of Orient where they started a family. Donald and Dolores lovingly raised 10 kids. In order to keep everyone busy they farmed, raised pigs and sheep, butchered beef and chickens, and started milking cows. Donald also raised mink for the Hudson Bay Fur Company. In 1978 he bought the Bud Yada place and moved the milk cow herd there. He was able to stop using the old swing buckets and advanced to a pipeline system making the work much more manageable.

Tragically in 1982 his first love, Dolores, passed away after a short bout with colon cancer. He was so grateful for the love and support of his family, friends, and neighbors. He needed a distraction, so he started dabbling in exotic animals: llamas, rhea birds, peacocks, zebra, and longhorns to name a few. Soon after the High Hope Llama ranch was started.

Donald was blessed to find love again. He married Kathy (Remily) Kindle in 1987. They lived on the farm by Orient before moving to the Black Hills in 1993. They kept busy raising some breeding ewes, operating a small haying business, raising miniature ponies, and running the High Hope Horse Camp. They truly had found their own little piece of paradise. After 21 years in the Hills, Donald and Kathy moved back home and settled in Orient. Sadly, the second love of his life, Kathy, passed away in April of 2019.

Donald was a quiet, gentle soul with deep faith that loved his family very much. Nothing made him more proud than to have everyone gather in the Hills. He loved showing off the sites. He also had a mischievous side to him, and he was very quick-witted. His hearing deficit was his biggest obstacle that kept him from attending large gatherings. Donald will always be remembered for his inventiveness; creating a tire turning machine to make feed bunks, the Ferris wheel he built for his grandkids, a pony ring for Old McDonald's Farm in Rapid City, and his homemade trap that successfully captured the mountain lion that was wreaking havoc on his geese. He loved gardening, NASCAR races, exotic animal auctions, satisfying his sweet tooth, writing his version of "Cowboy Poetry", Wheel of Fortune and cruising the streets of Orient with his sidekick Pixie in his "Whoopie".

Honored to have shared in his life are his children: Dennis, Lakewood CO, Dean (Beth), Orient SD, Jeanine (Rodney) Laabs, Brookings, SD, Tim (Rosario), Sinai SD, Jane (Bruce) McCloud, Highmore SD, Terry (Tam), Elk Point SD, Tom (Liz), Orient SD, Jim (Tanya), Chesterland OH, and Joel, Lead SD; step children: Stephanie (Gerry) Snyder, East China MI, Matthew (Lilibeth) Kindle, Keystone Heights FL, Charlene (Steve) Shawd, Leo IN; 27 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; 7 step grandchildren; 14 step great-grandchildren; brother, Doug Edgar, Redfield SD; sisters: Donna Hiles, Spearfish SD and Kathy Nowell, Redfield SD; brother-in-law, Ray Pottebaum, Miller SD; sisters-in-law: Norma Miller, Faulkton SD, Elaine Joyce, Alexandria MN, Cele (Frank) King, Sioux Falls SD, Diane Muellenberg, Redfield SD, Marcia (Joe) Murray WA, and Sylvia Remily, OR.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, Waldo and Mary; wives, Dolores and Kathy; son, Jerald; grandchildren: Tasha Edgar, Derek Rogers and Aaron Laabs; brother, Dick and his wife Mary Angela; sister, Mary Lou and her husband Richard; brothers-in-law: Donald Hiles, Clifford Nowell, Robert Miller, Pat Joyce, David Muellenberg, and David Remily.

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