

In Loving Memory Of
Dale C. Eriksen

July 7, 1927
Lebanon, South Dakota

May 19, 2018
Faulkton, South Dakota

PRAYER SERVICE

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 23, 2018
Luce Funeral Home ~ Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING ~ Pastor David Otten

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 24, 2018
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING ~ Fr. Jerry Kopel

LECTOR ~ Don Hericks

CASKET BEARERS

Skylar Eriksen, Stetsen Eriksen, Brian Pauly,
Kylie Pauly, Rex Lower, Jared Lower, Dustin Lower

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Carol Eriksen, Mara Eriksen, Lillie Eriksen,
Leo Dale Eriksen, "Our Angel" - Norah Faith Pauly,
Cedar Pauly and All of Dale's Many Friends and Neighbors

MUSICIANS ~ Lexie Vogel and Brenda Frost

HYMNS

"Be Not Afraid" "On Eagle's Wings"
"Song of Farewell" "How Great Thou Art"

INTERMENT

Lebanon Cemetery ~ Lebanon, South Dakota
With Military Honors



God saw he was getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around him
And whispered "Come with me."

With tearful eyes
We watched him suffer
And saw him fade away
Although we loved him dearly,
We would not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

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Dale Christian Eriksen was born July 7, 1927 to Chris and Marion (Hein) Eriksen at the family farm south of Lebanon, SD. He attended Roy Country School thru the 8th grade and then stayed at home to help with the farming and ranching until the age of 18.

Dale enlisted in the United States Army on February 16, 1946, taking his basic training at Fort McClellan, AL. He spent a year in Korea and was honorably discharged on July 30, 1947 at Camp Stoneman, CA. Following his discharge, Dale returned home to the family farm where he farmed and ranched with his brother, Leonard.

On November 17, 1953 Dale was united in marriage to Mary Duncan at Seneca, SD. They lived on the family farm; welcoming their son, Marty, on January 9, 1956.

Dale enjoyed playing horse shoes, working with the cattle, and farming. He was a great sports fan, and he especially enjoyed watching Marty play basketball, football and softball. In later years he enjoyed watching his grandkids as well. Dale was a member of the Lebanon School Board, the Lebanon and Gettysburg American Legion and the Gettysburg VFW.

Dale's life will be cherished by his wife of 64 ½ years, Mary of Lebanon; son, Marty (Carol) Eriksen of Presho; grandchildren: Kylie (Brian) Pauly, Skyler (Mara) Eriksen and Stetsen Eriksen; great grandchildren: Cedar Pauly, Lillie and Leo Dale Eriksen; brothers-in-law: Raymond Duncan and Gerald Peters; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; father-in-law, Brick Duncan; mothers-in-law: Tillie, Adeline, and Inger Duncan; brothers: Leonard and Donald Eriksen; sister, Helen Mitchell; great granddaughter, Norah Faith Pauly; sisters-in-law: Ruby Peters, Ruth Duncan, and Betty Eriksen; brother-in-law, Linden Lower; nephew, Lynn Lower; and numerous other relatives.



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