



I've finished life's chores assigned to me,
 So put me on a boat headed to sea.
 Please send along my fishing pole
 For I've been invited to the fishin' hole,
 Where every day is a day to fish,
 To fill your heart with every wish.
 Don't worry, or feel sad for me,
 I'm fishin' with the Master of the sea.
 We will miss each other for awhile,
 But you will come and bring your smile.
 That won't be long you will see,
 Till we're together you and me.
 To all of those that think of me,
 Be happy as I go out to sea.
 If others wonder why I'm missin'
 Just tell 'em I've gone fishin'.

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In Loving Memory Of
Norbert N. Arbach

December 15, 1928
 Walworth Co., South Dakota

October 8, 2018
 Pierre, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

1:00 p.m., Saturday, October 13, 2018
 St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church ~ Pierre, South Dakota

OFFICIATING ~ Fr. Joseph Holzhauser

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Amanda Simes, Kacie Birkel, and Renae Hericks

PLACING OF THE PALL

Mariah Mittleider and Autumn Mittleider

CASKET BEARERS

*Adam Arbach, Austin Arbach,
 Michael Arbach, Brandon Rausch, Travis Paulson,
 Nick Hericks, and James Birkel*

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

All of Norbert's Golfing and Card Playing Buddies

USHERS ~ Don and Walt Kaiser

MUSICIANS ~ Deb Bollinger and Marquette Brink

HYMNS

*"Amazing Grace" "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
 "How Great Thou Art" "Battle Hymn of the Republic"*

INTERMENT

12:00 p.m. MDT, Monday, October 15, 2018
 Black Hills National Cemetery ~ Sturgis, South Dakota

Norbert Arbach, 89, of Pierre and formerly of Hoven, passed away Monday, October 8, 2018 at Avera Maryhouse, Pierre.

On a cold, we're assuming, December day, the 15th to be exact in 1928 a baby boy was born to Mike and Rose (Hoffmann) Arbach. Norbert grew up to be a hardworking, helpful, card playing, naughty at times, loving, puzzle solving, fishing, farming and family man.

On September 8, 1953, he married Mary Joan Titgen. To this union four children were born. Grandkids and great grandkids! How fun and enjoyable they were to Norbert. Nothing made him happier than when they were visiting or they were around them. He would act just like a kid, usually getting himself into trouble, while playing with them.

During Norbert's lifetime, he served in the army in the Korean War as a gunner from 1951-1953. He was on the Walworth County ASCS Board of Commissioners from 1975-1983 and from 1981-1983 he served as chairman of the committee. He served on the Hoven Co-op Board of Directors, was a Legion Commander, and was a lifetime member of St. Antony's Cathedral in Hoven.

Apart from his family, Norbert also loved farming, especially after the boys were older and were able to help. But, if he had an accident, like hitting his head, you didn't laugh at him, otherwise a swift kick in the britches was coming your way! Water witching was a talent of his, many people would call and ask for his assistance finding water on their properties.

He loved to fish. Every spring he looked forward to fishing the walleye spawn with his daughters. He was always waiting for an invitation to go boating with Tom and Laurie. He loved to play cards. Playing cards, everyone was the "best", but in Norbert's eyes, he was always the "better" player! He loved to play golf. One of our funniest memories was when Dad and Ron were enjoying a game of golf together. Dad decided to exit the golf cart before Ron had stopped. Ron was turning the corner and Dad was propelled out of the cart with his nose about 2 inches off the ground for about 10 steps before he regained his balance to upright. Ron was beside himself, busting a gut laughing at Dad! Dad just had that little "grin of his" on his face.....

In later years, he enjoyed a daily routine of going to Lowry every morning, having coffee and catching up with his buddies.

In September of 2012, Norbert and Mary Joan retired from the farm, bought a new home and moved to Pierre to be closer to health care facilities and to be closer to their daughter Laurie, so close in fact that they lived across the street from her. Laurie would keep an ever-watchful eye over them, keeping everyone informed of what was happening.

Norbert is survived by his wife of 65 years, Mary Joan of Pierre; sons: David (Charmaine Mckee) of Aberdeen and Kurt (Marti) of Hoven; daughters: Cindy (Ron) Mittleider of Silt, CO and Laurie Rausch (Tom Bishop) of Pierre; brother, Clarence Arbach of Highmore; sisters: Laurene Kaiser of Hoven and Betty Brozel of Billings, MT; sister-in-law, Janice Arbach Saylor of Eureka; 11 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Jerome and Paul; and sisters: Viola Breen and Clara Rader.

The family would like to recognize and thank Tom Bishop for the countless hours he spent helping dad. Tom was always available to help when assistance was needed. A special thank you to Don Kaiser who spent time with Dad at dialysis appointments, making his long treatments pass more quickly. Dad was forever grateful.



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