

Jerry Frost, 78, of Gettysburg, passed peacefully on Sunday, May 26, 2019 surrounded by his family after a lengthy illness in Gettysburg, South Dakota.

Jerry was born August 27, 1940, the first child and only son of Bill and Gen Frost at Hoven, South Dakota. He was raised on the family farm, which he eventually farmed for



the rest of his life. As a child and young adult, he worked along-side his father, raising livestock and crops and passed the love of the land and lifestyle on to his own family, farming with his son, Bill, right up until illness forced him to retire two years ago.

Jerry married the love of his life, Carol Kohn a licensed practical nurse from Cherokee, Iowa, on

January 6, 1962 during a snowstorm in Hoven, South Dakota. They met through mutual acquaintances, during the time that Carol was receiving her nurses training in Pierre. Together, they raised three daughters and two sons. They had been married 43 years when Carol passed in 2005. His heart was forever broken.



They lived in Hoven until 1971 where Jerry worked for local farmers while also helping to work the family farm with his father. At that time, Jerry,

Carol and their family moved out to the family farm northeast of Gettysburg, and there spent the next nearly four decades raising a crop of five children; corn, oats, wheat, soybeans, sunflowers, cattle, hogs, and sheep. Working the land and caring for the livestock became a family affair with the kids all helping and working alongside their parents and learning the value of hard



work and the value of a dollar. Most of them also learned basic principles of a good pinochle game, family softball games and enjoyed time spent fishing for bullheads on Sunday afternoons in the summertime.

He was a long-time member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Gettysburg; a 60 year+ honorary life member and 4th degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He also served as the district deputy of the Knights of Columbus. He and Carol were big supporters of the wrestling program at Gettysburg High School, (WDC) continuing to help with the program and attend tournaments long after their own children were done with school. He and Carol loved to play card games (most especially pinochle) with friends and teaching the game to their kids and grandkids. Dancing; (waltzing and the jitterbug especially) was a favorite past-time for them as well. Jerry was a long-time fan of the Green Bay Packers also.

Left to cherish his memory are his children: Elaine Hanley of Gettysburg, Lexie and Jerry Rausch of Onida, Bill and Brenda Frost of Gettysburg, Connie Frost (John) of Brookings; daughter-in-law, Sheri (LeRoy) Gates of

Baltic; grandchildren Cassie (Cody) Stoesser of Pierre, Lee (Jessica) Rausch of Onida, Alex (Jada Hawkinson) of Onida, Olivia Rausch of Onida, Lauren Hanley of Gettysburg, Josh Frost of Agar, Emily (Aaron) Olauson of Inver Grove Heights, MN, Amber (Clint) Hostetler of Lennox, and Lindsay (Eric) Conrad of Clark; sisters: Shirley (George) Rausch of Aberdeen, Linda Ekberg of Mitchell, and Debby (Dave) Theunissen of Rapid City; 12 great grandchildren including Isaac and Ava Stoesser, Hallie, Charlie and Lukas Rausch, Macey, Jersie and Mylan Hostetler, Catherine and Joey Olauson, and Briar and Ivy Conrad; brothers and sisters-in-law: Karl George, Sioux City, IA, Jan (Doris) George, Sioux City, IA, Mark (Kim) George, Cherokee, IA, Paula (Rich) Dodds, South Sioux City, NE, Kent (Denise) George of Waterloo, IA, and Les Gehlsen, Carroll, IA; and many nieces and nephews.

Jerry was preceded in death by his beloved wife Carol in 2005; his oldest son Marty in 1991; his parents, Bill and Gen Frost; his in-laws, Al and Della George; sisters-in-



law, Joyce Woltman and Eleanor Gehlsen; brothers-in-law, Alfred Baum Jr., Douglas Ekberg, and Richard Woltman.

Jerry's family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to his close friends for always being there for him, visiting him often during his lengthy

illness. Special thanks to the staff at Avera Gettysburg Hospital and Avera at Home/Hospice for the care and kindnesses shown to him during the past years. From the housekeeping and nutrition services to the patient care technicians, nurses and providers, he had some of the very best care possible, right here at home.



Feel no guilt in laughter, he'd know how much you care.

Feel no sorrow in a smile that he is not here to share.

You must not grieve forever; he would not want you to.

He'd hope that you could carry on the way you always do.

So, talk about the good times and the way you showed you cared,

The days you spent together, all the happiness you shared.

Let memories surround you, a word someone may say

Will suddenly recapture a time, an hour, a day,

That brings him back as clearly as though he were still here,

And fills you with the feeling that he is always near,

For if you keep those moments, you will never be apart

And he will live forever locked safely within your heart.

*And on the eighth day,
God looked down on his planned paradise and said,
"I need a caretaker."*

So God made a farmer.



In Loving Memory Of

Jerry Frost

August 27, 1940 ~ May 26, 2019

WAKE SERVICE

7:00 p.m., Friday, May 31, 2019

Sacred Heart Catholic Church ~ Gettysburg, SD

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 1, 2019

Sacred Heart Catholic Church ~ Gettysburg, SD

OFFICIATING ~ *Fr. Jerry Kopel*

LECTOR ~ *Cassie Stoesser*

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ~ *George & Shirley Rausch*

OFFERTORY ~ *Olivia Rausch & Lauren Hanley*

ALTAR SERVERS ~ *Braxton & Brooklyn Beringer*

CASKET BEARERS

*Lee Rausch, Alex Rausch, Josh Frost,
Cody Stoesser, Matt Weller, Thad Beringer*

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

*Jerry's Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren
Glen Emmert, Bob Dahlquist,
Richard Rausch, Victor Beringer*

MUSICIANS ~ *Colleen Simon & Lynn Senftner*

MUSICAL SELECTIONS

*"I Can Only Imagine" "Christ Be Our Light"
"Gift of Finest Wheat" "Blessings"
"Song of Farewell" "Amazing Grace"*

INTERMENT

Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery ~ Gettysburg, SD



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www.familyfuneralhome.net



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