



Karen Albright Wilcox, age 69, of Onida, passed away Tuesday, November 3, 2020, at Avera St Mary's Hospital, Pierre, South Dakota. Her son Aaron was by her side, holding her as she peacefully went to heaven to be with her Lord.

Karen was born on September 29, 1951 in Alliance, Nebraska to Philip and Adelia (Dee) Albright. She was the second child of three, with an older brother Rick and a younger sister, Marilyn. After graduation from Alliance High School, she relocated

to South Dakota, ultimately to Agar to live and farm/ranch with her loving husband Larry and children. They were married June of 1985 in Agar, South Dakota at St John's Lutheran Church. She enjoyed watching Carrie in the Sully Buttes Band and Aaron in Football and Basketball. Upon retirement, they moved to Onida and enjoyed spending time with friends, traveling around the United States and internationally and visiting all of their grandchildren in Iowa and Georgia.

Karen retired in 2016 as the Director of Equalization, after 12 years of dedicated and passionate service to Sully County. She was a Certified Appraiser Assessor (CAA) and a notary. She was an active member of Holy Cross Lutheran, playing the organ and a member of LWML. She was also the Treasurer of the American Legion Auxiliary. Her children and grandchildren were her pride and joy spending every moment possible spoiling them. She was an incredible seamstress (having made her daughter Carrie's wedding dress), played the piano/organ, loved to bake and plant flowers in her yard.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Larry Wilcox, her children Carrie (Comer) Mitzel (Brad), Aaron Comer (DeAnna), seven grandchildren, Brandon Mitzel (Kendal), Cailan Comer, Hope (Mitzel) Porter (Jesse), Sofie Comer, Ashlyn Lamb, Avery Lamb and Maria Mitzel. She leaves before her first great-grandchild who will be born in December (Asia Porter). She is also survived by her sister, Marilyn Albright and nephew, Tristan Albright. She leaves behind a community of friends who loved her dearly, as if she were their family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, grandparents, and brother Rick Albright.



Larry Dean Wilcox, age 83, of Onida, passed away Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at Avantara, Pierre, South Dakota. He passed away peacefully and is now with our heavenly father.

Larry Dean Wilcox was born on July 23, 1937 in Pierre, South Dakota to Clayton and Gladys (Ripley) Wilcox. Larry was the middle child with an older sister, Beverly, and a younger sister, Judy. He married his beloved wife Karen in 1985. Larry loved following Carrie's

and Aaron's school activities. They lived and worked together on the family farm for many years, eventually moving to Onida upon his retirement. In retirement, Larry and Karen enjoyed traveling and spending time with friends and family, especially their children and grandchildren in Iowa and Georgia.

Larry was raised on the homestead farm in western Sully County and became an exceptional steward of the land. He dedicated his life to making the farm the best it could be and he succeeded. He enjoyed watching the crops and animals grow including the wildlife on the farm. As a life-long resident of Sully County, everyone knew him. He was known to his family and friends as a conscientious, loyal, honest, and generous person and a good neighbor. If you needed help, he would be there to pitch in. Larry was a living library of humorous farm jokes and when he visited, invariably he would say...Hey, did you hear the one about...

He is survived by daughter, Carrie (Comer) Mitzel (Brad); son, Aaron Comer (DeAnna); seven grandchildren: Brandon Mitzel (Kendal), Cailan Comer, Hope (Mitzel) Porter (Jesse), Sofie Comer, Ashlyn Lamb, Avery Lamb and Maria Mitzel. He is also survived by his sisters, Beverly Peters (Dwight) and Judy Schuette (Jim); and five nephews and nieces: Jeff Peters, Paula Peters (Kim Nixon), Peggy Schuette, Sheri Schuette and Jerry Schuette (Kathy).

Larry was preceded in death by his parents and, by one week, his loving wife, Karen.

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In Loving Memory Of

Larry Wilcox Karen Wilcox

7-23-1937 ~ 11-10-2020 9-29-1951 ~ 11-3-2020
Pierre, SD Pierre, SD Alliance, NE Pierre, SD

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE:

2:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 22, 2021
Agar Hall
Agar, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Pastor Jeff Adel

USHERS:

Kim Weischedel
Bill Newling

PIANIST: Ron Smith

VOCALIST: Virgil Mikkelsen

MUSICAL SELECTIONS:

"Old Rugged Cross"
"Amazing Grace"
"Happy Trails to You"

FINAL RESTING PLACE:

Onida Cemetery
Onida, South Dakota



Gettysburg, South Dakota
www.familyfuneralhome.net

In Loving Memory Of



Larry & Karen Wilcox

Furrows and Fields

"I spent my life in furrows and fields working and tilling the land
Observing the beauties created by God's almighty hand
I have touched the richness of soil, I've born the wind and sun on my face
And I would choose this life and this land over any other place
A life filled with crimson-dawned mornings when I was up to greet the sky
Days spent with family and creation all throughout my life
I was blessed to experience each "springtime" when raindrops have
washed the earth clean, where my efforts have grown into harvest..."
..."And so my life must be no different, just like the crops that I have grown
For I am also God's child and seed, that at harvest must come home"...