

GOD MADE A FARMER

And on the 8th day, God looked down
on His planned paradise and said,
"I need a caretaker."

So God made

A FARMER

God said, "I need somebody willing to get up
before dawn, milk cows, work all day
in the fields and milk cows again.

I need somebody with arms strong enough to
rustle a calf and yet gentle enough to deliver his
own grandchild. I need somebody who'll bale a
family together with the soft strong bonds of
sharing, who will laugh and then sigh, and then
reply, with smiling eyes, when his son says that he
wants to spend his life 'doing what dad does'."

So God made

A FARMER.

In Loving Memory Of

Larry Gene Gries

February 24, 1938

Gettysburg, South Dakota

April 8, 2023

Gettysburg, South Dakota

PRAYER SERVICE:

7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 13, 2023

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Gettysburg, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE:

10:30 a.m., Friday, April 14, 2023

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Gettysburg, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Fr. Brian Simon

LECTOR: Don Hericks

MASS SERVER: Alec Gries

CASKET BEARERS:

Andy Gries, Adam Gries, Jordan Heumiller,
Josh Gries, Shane Gries, and Brad Simon

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:

All of Larry's Coffee Buddies

MUSICIANS: Alice Simon and Lexie Vogel

HYMNS:

"Amazing Grace" "On Eagle's Wings"
"Song of Farewell" "How Great Thou Art"

INTERMENT:

Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery
Gettysburg, South Dakota
With Military Honors

Larry G. Griese, 85, of Gettysburg, passed away Saturday, April 8, 2023, at his home.

Larry Gene Griese was born February 24, 1938, at Gettysburg, SD to Arthur and Mary (Anderson) Griese. He attended country school and graduated from Gettysburg High School. He joined the United States Army National Guard on February 21, 1957, and was honorably discharged on February 20, 1960.

Larry was united in marriage on February 12, 1958, to Charlotte Illies at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hoven. They made their home northeast of Gettysburg on the family farm where they lived for their entire married lives and raised their five children.

Larry loved farm life. He started farming with his father and continued his passion his entire life, raising animals of all kinds: sheep, cattle, horses, pigs, and whatever else his children brought home. He also worked for Lebanon Equity and the Potter County Highway Department.

Larry served as a member of the Lebanon Equity board of directors and was a member of the Lebanon School Board. He also was a member of John J. Peters American Legion Post #159 in Hoven.

Larry's life will be cherished by his wife, Charlotte; his children: David (Twila) of Hoven, Daniel (Carol) of San Jacinto, CA, Darrell (Rachelle) of Hoven, Darwin of Lebanon, and Denise (Kevin) Hansen of Jackson, MN; 12 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; siblings: Shirley Rust, Virginia (Bob) Simon, Janice (George) Reinke, Jerry (Juanita) Griese, William (Sandy) Griese, Karen (Jim) Doerr, and Patty (Richard) Weber; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Bob. Memorials may be given in Larry's honor to Keep Hope Local, 127 Hilltop Dr., Gettysburg, SD 57442.

