



## God's Farm

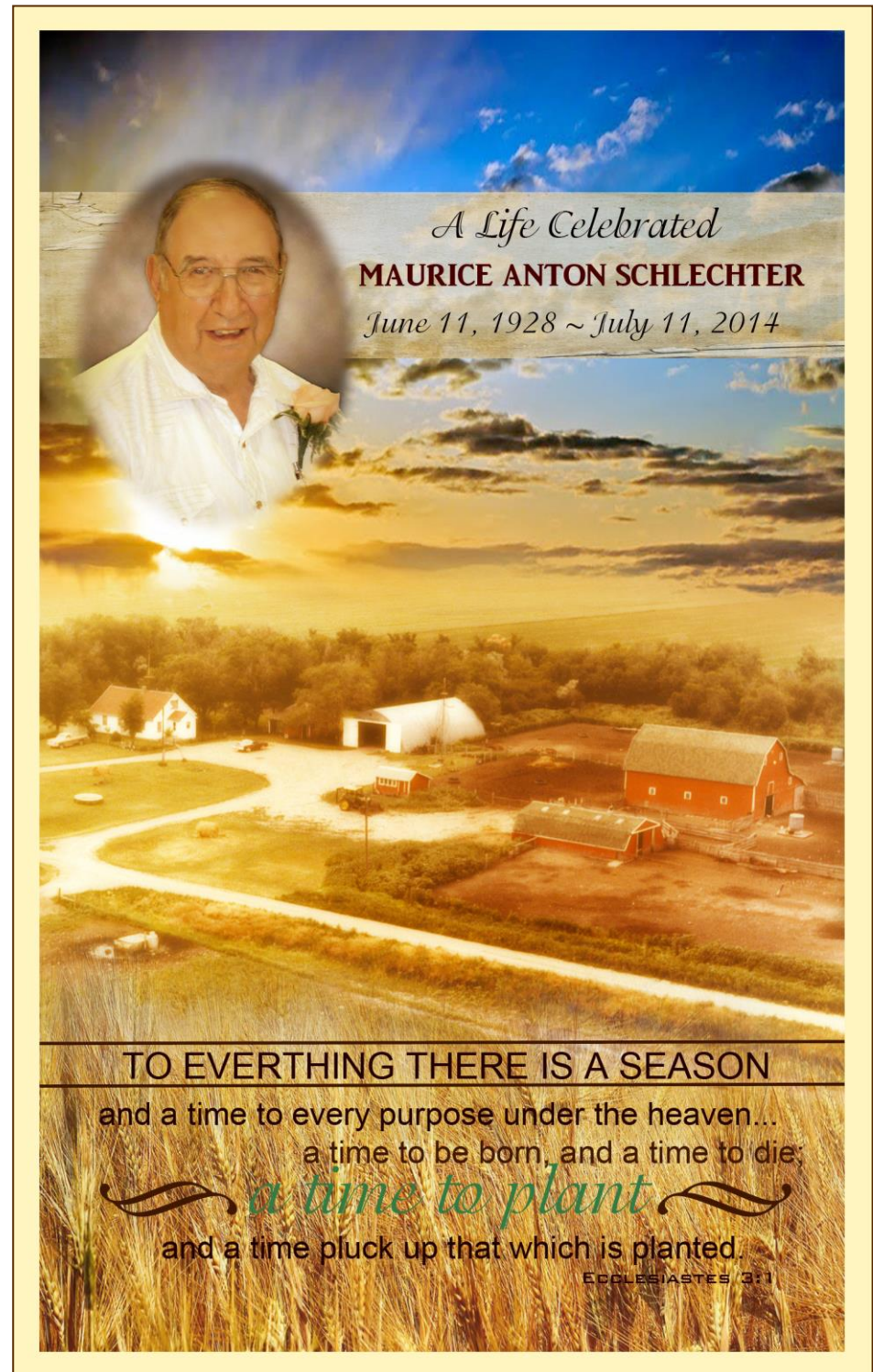
God needs someone in heaven  
To plow and plant the rows  
And when He calls on me,  
I know that I must go.  
Remember that I won't be gone,  
I will just be away,  
Working on God's farm  
'till we're united again one day.  
There will be no storms in heaven  
And the fields are long and straight.  
When it's time for you to join me,  
I'll be waiting inside heaven's gate.  
Remember until the day arrives,  
When once more our lives we'll share,  
To look in the green fields growing  
And you'll see me working there.

Arrangements Entrusted To



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*A Life Celebrated*  
**MAURICE ANTON SCHLECHTER**  
*June 11, 1928 ~ July 11, 2014*

TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON

and a time to every purpose under the heaven...  
a time to be born, and a time to die;  
*a time to plant*  
and a time pluck up that which is planted.

ECCLESIASTES 3:1



*Maurice Schlechter*, 86, of Polo, passed away Friday, July 11, 2014 at Avera St. Luke's Hospital in Aberdeen.

Maurice Anton was born to Conrad and Mary (Venjohn) Schlechter on June 11, 1928 at their home near Polo, South Dakota in Hand County. He received his education at St. Liborius School at Polo. He helped his father on the farm until June 12, 1951 when he married Kathryn Wernsmann at St. Liborius Church. They moved to a farm southwest of Polo where they farmed and raised nine children: Doris, Mike, Ted, Mary, Jean, Carol, Robert, Cindy, and Kathryn.

Maurice was a member of St. Liborius Church and the Catholic Order of Foresters. He served many years on the Polo School Board and was also on the Fairview Township board. In his youth, he enjoyed playing amateur baseball and hunting. Later years, he enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren's sporting events.

His legacy will be cherished by his wife, Kathryn of Polo; nine children: Doris (Randy) Juhnke of Chamberlain, Mike Schlechter of Miller, Ted (JoEllen) Schlechter of Huron, Mary (Kevin) Neuhauser of Midland, Jean (Kevin) Engen of Brookings, Carol (Mike) Goodrich of Crooks, Robert (Sheila) Schlechter of Miller, Cindy (Gaylon) Gerber of Pierre, and Kathryn (Jeff) Schulz of Aberdeen; nine grandsons; 13 granddaughters; nine great grandchildren; two brothers: Lornie Schlechter of Polo and Paul (Pearl) Schlechter of Polo; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Conrad and Mary Schlechter; and a grandson, Jack Schulz.

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**MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:**

10:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 16, 2014  
St. Liborius Catholic Church  
Polo, South Dakota

**CELEBRANTS:** Father John Helmueller & Father Chester Murtha

**CASKETBEARERS: Grandsons**

Brian Juhnke - Jarad Schlechter - Matthew Schlechter  
Brady Schlechter - Nick Neuhauser - Lucas Engen  
Casey Schlechter - Connor Gerber - Zachary Schulz - †Jack Schulz

**HONORARY CASKETBEARERS: Granddaughters**

Kimberly Juhnke - Mallory Schlechter - Sarah Neuhauser  
Brianna Neuhauser - Rachael Maag - Kristi VanDeRostyne  
Amy Goodrich - Reba Goodrich - Brandi Umberger  
Kayla Schlechter - Chelsey Schlechter  
Shelby Gerber - Megan Schulz

**USHERS:** Larry Anglin - Terry Schlechter

**LECTORS:** Megan Schulz - Gaylon Gerber

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Grace, Ellen, & VonnaGail Schlechter

**OFFERTORY:** Mike, Ted, & Robert Schlechter

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:** Ann Schaefer

**MUSICIANS:** Carol Schulz & St. Liborius Choir  
Trixie Schlechter "The Cross of Life"

**MUSICAL SELECTIONS:**

"Here I Am, Lord" #377 - "On Eagle's Wings" #437  
"Be Not Afraid" #430 - "I am the Bread of Life" #343  
"O Loving God" #687 - "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" #695

**INTERMENT:**

Mount Calvary Cemetery  
Polo, South Dakota