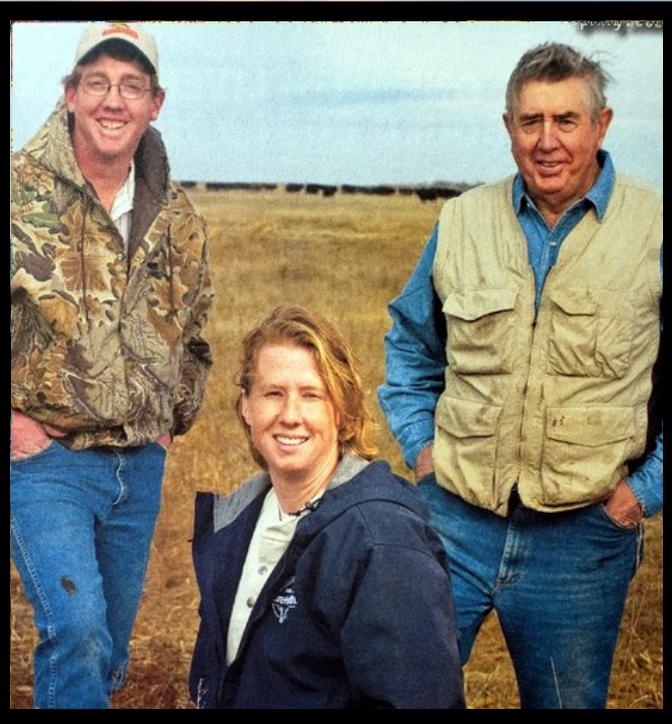


God said, "I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bails, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink-combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a meadow lark."

It had to be somebody who'd plow deep and straight and not cut corners; somebody to seed, weed, feed, breed and rake and disc and plow and plant and tie the fleece and strain the milk and replenish the self-feeder and finish a hard week's work with a five-mile drive to church; somebody who would bale a family together with the soft strong bonds of sharing, who would 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.



And on the 8th Day God Made A Farmer...

Celebration of Life:

7:00 p.m., Monday, June 29, 2020
Midway Drive-In
Miller, South Dakota

Minister: Rev. Brian Jones

Casketbearers: Grandchildren

Sydney & Sara Jessen
Jordan & Jesse Schall
Briggs & Kagan Runge

Musical Selection:

"The Touch of the Master's Hand"
Janelle, Jolene, & Jennifer

Private Burial:

G.A.R. Cemetery
Miller, South Dakota

Arrangements Entrusted To

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Celebrating A Life

Joe Poindexter

November 7, 1941 - June 26, 2020



Joe Poindexter, 78, of Ree Heights, passed away Friday, June 26, 2020 at the Good Samaritan Society in Miller.

Thomas Joseph "Joe" Poindexter was born November 7, 1941 at Big Spring, Texas to T.J. and Frances (Clements) Poindexter. At the age of 8, the family moved to Pierre, South Dakota and in 1952, they moved to the ranch north of Ree Heights. Joe graduated from Ree Heights High School in 1960. He spent two years at Brookings for college before transferring to the University of Minnesota obtaining his Doctor of Veterinarian Medicine (DVM). Joe returned to the ranch and started his veterinarian practice.

On August 22, 1964, he married Joyce Rogers at the Ree Heights Community Church. This union brought four children: Janelle, Jolene, Jennifer, and Jay. Joe and Joyce made their home on the family ranch where they farmed and ranched, Joe also working as a veterinarian and raising a family.

Joe's faith in the Lord was an important and central part of his life. He was a charter member and helped start First Baptist Church in Miller. He taught adult Sunday School for nearly 30 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He was known to have a sweet tooth, enjoying all sweets. Joe loved working with his clients; always willing to spend extra time with clients and commented often how much he learned from them. He loved his ranch and cattle, especially his dogs on the ranch.

Grateful to have shared in Joe's life is his wife, Joyce of Ree Heights; children: Janelle (Jon) Jessen and daughters, Sydney and Sara of Ree Heights; Jolene (JJ) Schall and children, Jordan and Jesse of Onida; Jennifer (Mike) Runge and sons, Briggs and Kagan of Ree Heights; and Jay (Arla) Poindexter of Ree Heights; sister, Paula (Terry) Spilde of Highmore; brother-in-law, Orval (Millie) Rogers of Ree Heights; sister-in-law, Betty Haetten of Halstead, Kansas; special aunt, Sandra Poindexter; special cousin, Mike (Carole) Clements; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and clients.

Preceding Joe in death were his parents, T.J. and Frances Poindexter; parents-in-law, Ray and Gladys Rogers; and grandparents: Joe and Minnie Poindexter, and Wylie and Mattie Clements.

