

CLOSE THE GATE

For this one farmer the worries are over,
lie down and rest your head,
Your time has been and struggles enough,
put the tractor in the shed.

Years were not easy, many downright hard,
but your faith in God transcended,
Put away your tools and sleep in peace.
The fences have all been mended.

You raised a fine family,
worked the land well and always followed the Son,
Hang up your shovel inside of the barn;
your work here on earth is done.

A faith few possess led your journey through life,
often a jagged and stony way,
The sun is setting, the cattle are all bedded,
and here now is the end of your day.

Your love of God's soil has passed on to your kin;
the stories flow like fine wine,
Wash off your work boots in the puddle
left by blessed rain one final time.

You always believed that the good Lord would provide
and He always had somehow,
Take off your gloves and put them down,
no more sweat and worry for you now.

Your labor is done,
Your home now is heaven;
no more must you wait,
Your legacy lives on, your love of the land,
And we will close the gate.

By Nancy Kraayenhof
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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.



Charles Schock, 78, of Ree Heights, passed away Saturday, February 13, 2021 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls.

Charles was born December 5, 1942 to Edward and Lillian (Pietz) Schock.

He was in the army prior to spending his life farming on the same farm on which he was born.

Charles was active in the Ree Heights church and the American Legion. Upon retirement, he moved to Miller, South Dakota where he spent many happy hours playing pool and cards at the Senior Citizen Retirement Center.

Having never married, he leaves behind his five sisters: Charlotte Evans, Patricia (Marvin) Hasart, Virginia (Ginny) LaFortune, Mildred (Allen) Binneboese, and Nancy (Jerry) Peterson; one sister-in-law, Jan Schock; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents: Edward and Lillian Schock; his brother, Dennis; and two brothers-in-law: Alvin and Robert.

Charles Edward Schock

December 5, 1942
Highmore, S.D.

February 13, 2021
Sioux Falls, S.D.

VISITATION

5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, February 25, 2021
Reck Funeral Home
Miller, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

11:00 a.m., Friday, February 26, 2021
Reck Funeral Home
Miller, South Dakota

OFFICIATING

Pastor Sheena Thomson

CASKETBEARERS

Kyle Evans – Cole Peterson – Matt LaFortune
Brad Schock – Derek Binneboese – Ryan Peterson

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

Mike Hasart – Curt Hasart – Tim Schock
Nathan Binneboese – Wade Binneboese – Jerrod Peterson

MUSIC SELECTIONS

"In the Garden"
"Amazing Grace"

INTERMENT WITH MILITARY HONORS

Morningside Cemetery
Ree Heights, South Dakota

Arrangements Entrusted To



Miller, South Dakota
www.familyfuneralhome.net