Remembering the life of....

Duane Gulland, 79, of Ayr, N.D., passed away on Friday, September 9, 2022, in West Fargo, under Hospice care.

Duane William Gulland was born on October 7, 1942 in Fargo, N.D., to Clarence and Amanda (Krueger) Gulland. His family moved from a farm near Amenia, ND, to a farm near Absaraka, N.D. when he was four, and he attended elementary grade school in Absaraka before graduating from Wheatland High School in 1960.

While helping his sister move to San Jose, CA in 1962, Duane met and fell in love with his sister's next-door neighbor, Marilynn Cox. Duane and Marilynn were married on January 17, 1964 in Saratoga, CA. Duane and Marilynn returned to North Dakota where they raised their three children, and where he lived for the remainder of his life. Marilynn passed away on October 6, 1994.

Duane was a man with a big laugh and an even bigger heart. He adored spending time with his children and grandchildren, and never missed an opportunity to enjoy visiting with family and friends. He showed up for every dance recital, musical performance, sporting event, and life celebration of his grandchildren, and made friends wherever he went. He never forgot a birthday or anniversary. A lifelong farmer, he never really retired, but instead focused on being the "Uber driver" for machinery in the field even as his health began to fail. In addition to spending time with his family, he loved hunting, fishing, and playing cards, and spending time with Laverne, whom he dubbed "the last love of his life." He was treasurer of the Wheatland Rod & Gun club for 30 years, involved with the Empire Township Board, and a regular with the W.O.W. Card Club. He belonged to St. Martin's Lutheran Church in Amenia Township as a child and was later a lifelong member of Martin's Lutheran Church in Casselton.

Duane is survived by his children, Sue Kensok, Fargo, Debra (Dustin) Bjugstad, Fargo, and David (Holly) Gulland, West Fargo; the last love of his life, Laverne Schneider; 9 grandchildren, Amanda, Adam, Brandon, Jenna, Jessica, Savannah, Elyssa, Elijah, and Anna; 66 foster grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren, Ayden, Rylee, Aurie, Colter, and Renly; siblings, Bonnie (Kent) Eicholtz, Bernard (Marilyn) Gulland; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Marilynn; a son-inlaw, Dennis Kensok; and siblings, Clarence (JoAnn) Gulland, Diane (Darrell) Knutson, and Betty (Bruce) Whitmore.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Anne Carlson Center.

Thank you to all of the family and friends who have visited, shared stories, brought food, and said prayers during Duane's illness, and following his death. Our thanks as well to the Roger Maris Cancer Center, and to Hospice of the Red River Valley for their compassionate care and support. The family

would like to extend a special thank you to Dennis Bjugstad for the creation of Duane's urn.



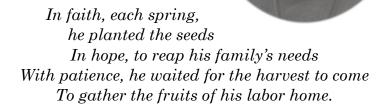


FINAL HARVEST

He was bound to the land from the day of his birth his roots anchored deep in the fertile earth.

Nurtured, sustained, by the soil he grew.

And his life, like furrows, ran straight and true.



Ever turning seasons, the years sped past Till the final harvest came at last Then claimed anew by beloved sod He was gathered home to be with God.

- Barbara W. Weber

Celebrating the life of

DUANE GULLAND

FUNERAL SERVICE

Martin's Lutheran Church Casselton, North Dakota Friday, September 16, 2022 - 10:30 a.m.

Officiants

Rev. Mike Jacobson Rev. Keith Walka

Soloist

David Piper "In the Garden" "On Eagle's Wings"

${\bf Organist}$

Colleen Baumgarten

Congregational Hymns

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"
"Here I Am, Lord"

Honorary Urn Bearers

Duane's Grandchildren

The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time. Please join them for fellowship following the service.