

### *Remembering the life of....*

Gerald F. "Jerry" Pratt, 74, Fargo, ND died on Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at Sanford Medical Center, Fargo.

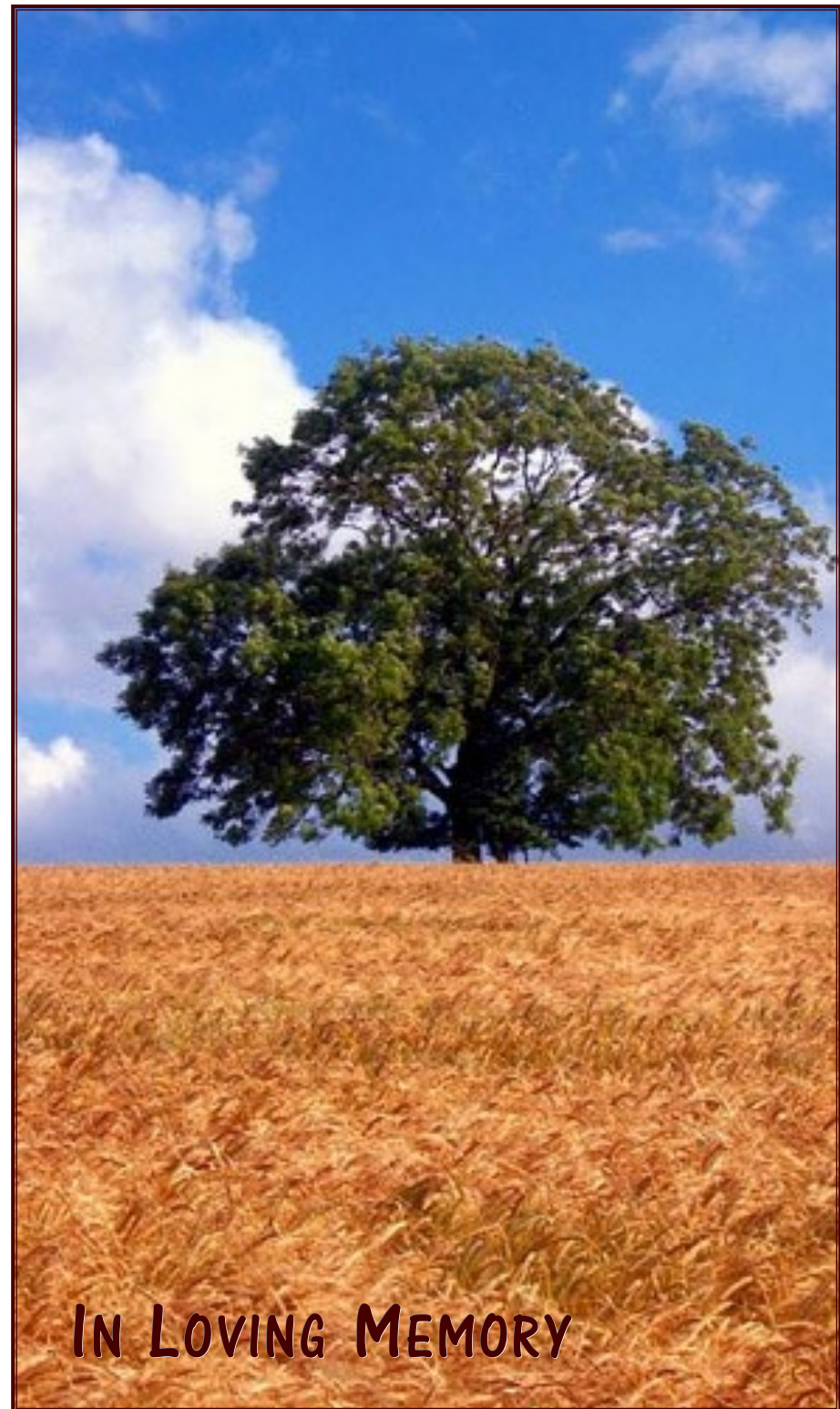
Gerald Franklin "Jerry" Pratt was born December 24, 1942, in Minot, ND, the son of Ernest and Myrtle (Klungness) Pratt. He was raised in Minot and graduated from Minot High School in 1961. He attended North Dakota State University, graduating with a pharmacy degree in 1967. He married Nordis Oksendahl in 1967; they later divorced. He married Linda Prestemon in 1994 and later divorced, and married Carla Braaten in 2005 and later divorced. He lived and worked in pharmacies and drugstores in several locations in Minnesota and North Dakota, before retiring in Fargo in 2008.

Family meant everything to Jerry - his siblings, his nieces and nephews, and most importantly, his three sons and his grandchildren. He was proud of any of their accomplishments, big or small, and always tried to be there, despite the distances of the family. He also loved to volunteer his time - a member of the Sebek and Bagley Lions Clubs, co-chair of the Relay for Life of Clearwater County, and spent two weeks each year before and after retirement to go to Honduras with Rotary International as the group's pharmacist. He loved to be helpful and was willing to lend a hand or anything else whenever and wherever he could.

Jerry is survived by his sons Justin of Seattle, WA, Alex (Katie) of Red Wing, MN, and Andrew of Valley City, ND; grandchildren Issac, Riley, and Nikolai Pratt, and step-grandchildren Aryiana and Kaynen Malec; sister Virginia Hampton of St. Cloud, MN, and brother James (Donna) of Mesa, AZ; sisters-in-law Augusta of St. Louis Park, MN, and Meredith of Bismarck, ND; several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews; and his three dogs, Hannah, Bruce, and Teddy.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers and sister-in-law Charles "Chop" and Kathy, Richard, and Donald; sister and brothers-in-law, Alice Lorraine and Richard "Sis and Bud" Olson, and Ray Hampton; and a nephew Greg Hampton.

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



**IN LOVING MEMORY**

## Footprints

One night a man had a dream...  
He was walking along the beach  
with the Lord, and across the  
sky flashed scenes from his  
life. In each scene, he noticed  
two sets of footprints in the  
sand; one made by him, and  
the other by the Lord.



When the last scene of his life  
flashed before him, he looked at the  
footprints in the sand, and noticed  
that many times along the path of his life  
there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed  
that it happened at the worst times of his life.

This bothered him, so he asked the Lord about it.  
"Lord, You said that once I decided to follow You,  
You'd walk with me all the way.  
But, I've noticed that during times of trouble  
there is only one set of footprints.  
I don't understand why You left me when I needed You most."

The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you  
and would never leave you... During your times of trouble  
where you see only one set of footprints,  
I was carrying you."

Author Unknown

Celebrating the life of

## JERRY PRATT



### FUNERAL SERVICE

West Funeral Home Chapel

West Fargo, North Dakota

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 - 11 a.m.

### OFFICIANT

Pastor Tessa Moon Leiseth

### CD MUSIC

"How Great Thou Art"

"In The Garden"

"Amazing Grace"

"Uncloudy Day" by Willie Nelson

### HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Jerry's Grandchildren

Issac Pratt

Riley Pratt

Nikolai Pratt

Aryiana Malec

Kaynen Malec

### PALLBEARERS

Alex Pratt

Andrew Pratt

Justin Pratt

Bob Pratt

Jim Boyd

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### INTERMENT

Rosehill Cemetery

Minot, ND

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