

Dale Joe Gunderson was born in Great Falls on March 16, 1939 to Douglas Gunderson and Josephine (Plank) Gunderson. He attended Bears Den country school for grades 1-8 and attended high school in Joplin MT where he was involved with music (band, chorus) and sports (basketball, football). Dale graduated as Valedictorian from Joplin High School in 1956. Dale and his family were active members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and were involved in the Sage Creek Pioneers 4-H club. They were fortunate to live within 40 miles of all their aunts, uncles and cousins (Barrett, Gunderson, Mattson, McClellan) and Grandma Ellen Gunderson, and holiday gatherings of both sides of the family were common.

After graduation from high school, Dale attended and graduated from college. His freshman year was spent at Concordia College in Moorhead MN, but he subsequently transferred to Montana State College (MSC; now Montana State University/MSU) in Bozeman, graduating in 1961 with a BA degree. While at MSC, Dale was a member of the Sigma Nu Fraternity, the MSC Chorale and ROTC, and served in the Air National Guard.

Dale met his first wife, Jean Randall, while at MSC in Bozeman. They were married in September of 1961. Dale and Jean farmed and ranched on the family farm north of Chester before buying their own place at Conrad in 1968. They were blessed with two beloved sons, Randy and Darrin, who were born in 1966 and 1969 respectively. While in Conrad, Dale worked collecting soil samples for Montana Testing Labs, served 3 years as Pondera County Extension Agent and sold MoorMan feed. The family moved to Moses Lake, WA where Dale continued to sell MoorMan feed to the surrounding dairies until he returned to the family farm in the fall of 1976.

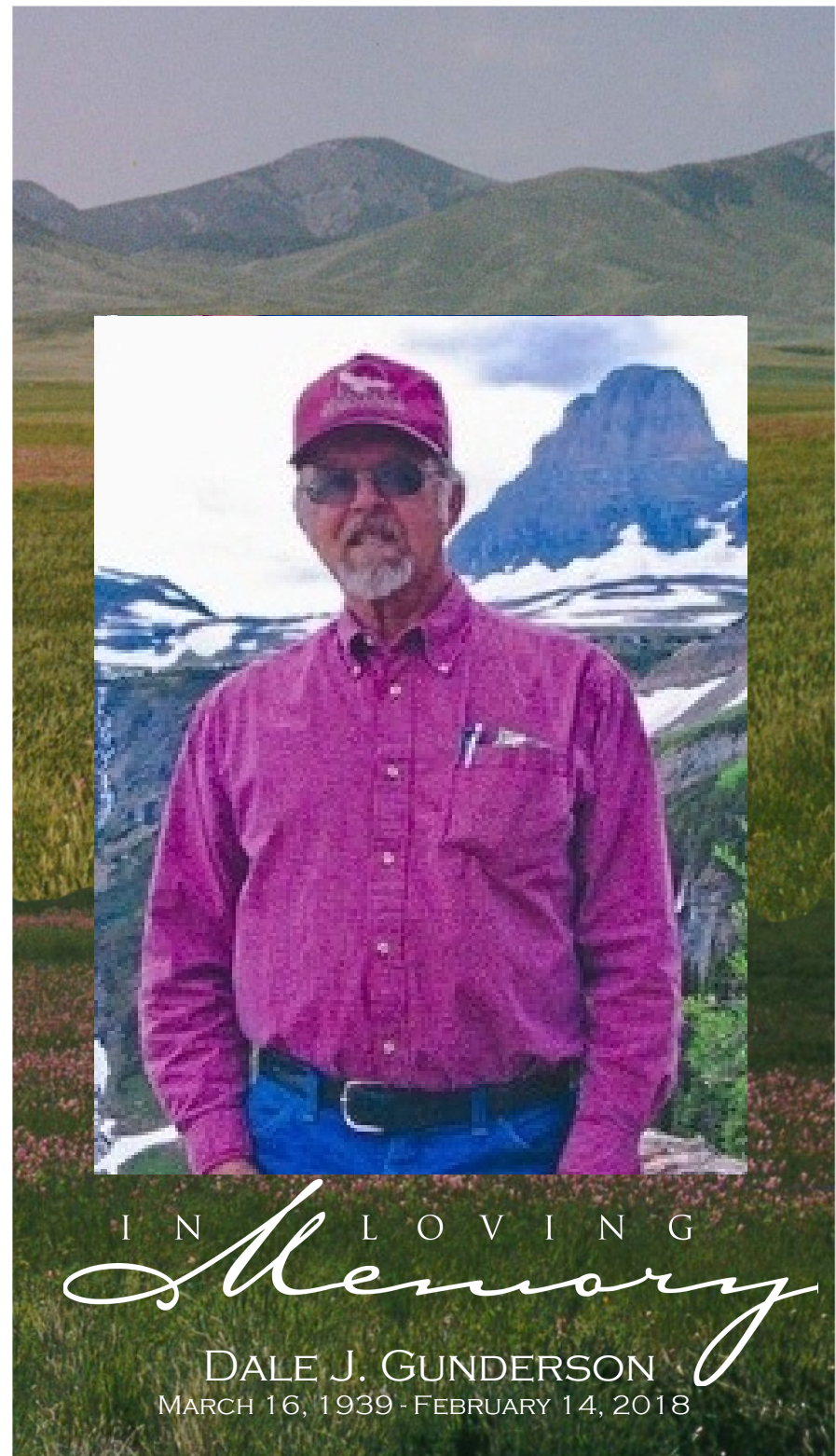
Dale married Lanea Aspevig in October of 1980, and they were married for 37+ years. They farmed and ranched on the family farm east of the Sweetgrass Hills from 1980 to 2005 and later raised bulls at their family home with acreage just north of Rudyard.

Dale was a cattleman; a breeder. A cattleman is one who does careful genetic selection on cattle, trying to raise the best cattle for other people to use in their own herds. He never officially retired, but said when he did, his one hobby would be 'raising bulls'.

Dale passed away on Feb 14, 2018. He was 78 years old.

Asper Funeral Homes

Chester, Montana



Celebrating T H E L I F E O F *Dale Joe Gunderson*

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, April 21, 2018 2:00 PM

Assembly of God Church Chester, Montana

Pastor Brendan VanWagner, Officiating

Holly Frederickson, Pianist

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Holly Frederickson
Welcome and Prayer Pastor Brendan VanWagner
Special Music, "Lord's Prayer" Gunderson Family
Eulogy Kevin O'Neil & Jay Aspevig
Special Music, "Look For Me" Don & Marla Forbes
Congregational Hymns "Majesty"
 "It Is Well"

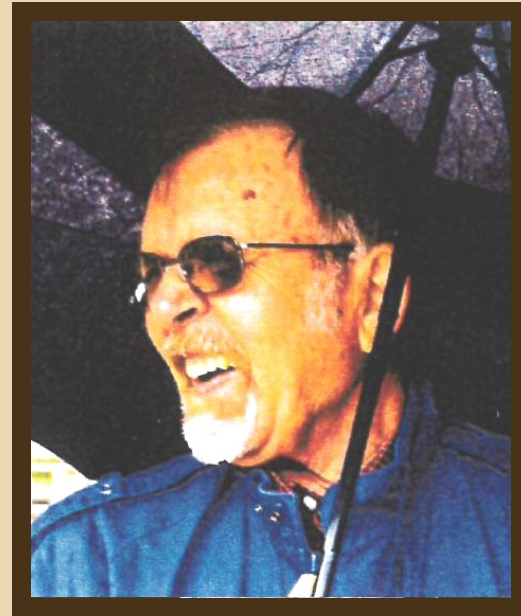
Photo Memory Presentation
Scripture Randy Gunderson
Message Pastor Brendan VanWagner
Special Music, "No More Night" David Phelps
Recessional Gaither Vocal Band

PALLBEARERS

Keith Vande Sandt	Delbert Anderson
John Cicon	Rudy Cicon
Lance McDowell	Bruce Duncan
Earl Colbry	

HONORARY BEARERS

Wednesday Night Prayer Group	
Rodney Svenson	Larry Horinek
Donald Bjornstad	Kip Lybeck



When It's All Been Said and Done by Jim Cowan

When it's all been said and done
There is just one thing that matters
Did I do my best to live for truth
Did I live my life for You

When it's all been said and done
All my treasures will mean nothing
Only what I've done for love's reward
Will stand the test of time

Lord Your mercy is so great
That You look beyond our weakness
And find purest gold in miry clay
Making sinners into saints

I will always sing Your praise
Here on earth and ever after
For You've shown me Heaven's my true home
When it's all been said and done
You're my life when life is gone
Lord I'll live my life for You