

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

John's Legacy



CELEBRATING A LIFE

John W. Moyer



Born

September 12, 1940 ~ Verndale, Minnesota

Died

February 2, 2019 ~ Staples, Minnesota

Service

Verndale Family Life Church ~ Verndale, Minnesota
Wednesday, February 6, 2019 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Clergy

Pastor Amos Self

Music

Congregational Hymn ~ How Great Thou Art
Soloist ~ Rob Weiher ~ Amazing Grace
Pianist ~ Melody Self

Survived By

Wife of 60 years, Glee; five children: Valerie (Ken) Schmitz, Doug (Dana) Moyer, DeEtta (Daniel) Kujava, Janis Spencer, and Ken (Michelle) Moyer;
18 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, many other relatives
and a host of friends

Laid to Rest

Green Lawn Cemetery ~ Verndale, Minnesota



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.

John William Moyer, age 78, passed away as a result of a stroke on Saturday, February 2, 2019. John was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Jessie Moyer of Verndale, and his brother, Charles.

John and Glee spent over 54 years on the same farm in the Verndale area. He raised potatoes for most of these years and was often recognized by local and state officials for his work. In 1995 Moyer Farms was recognized as a University of Minnesota Farm Family of the Year.

During his retirement years John stayed busy working the planting and harvest seasons on a farm in North Dakota and restoring IH Farmall tractors. His hobby led John to restore over 15 tractors and small bulldozers. People from as far away as Alaska brought him tractors to be restored because of his expertise.

But John's true legacy will be his willingness to give a hand to his neighbors and friends. Whether plowing snow for multiple neighbors or milking cows so a friend could go on vacation, he was quick to offer a hand and in doing so, leaving behind a heritage of selfless giving that serves as a model to his family.