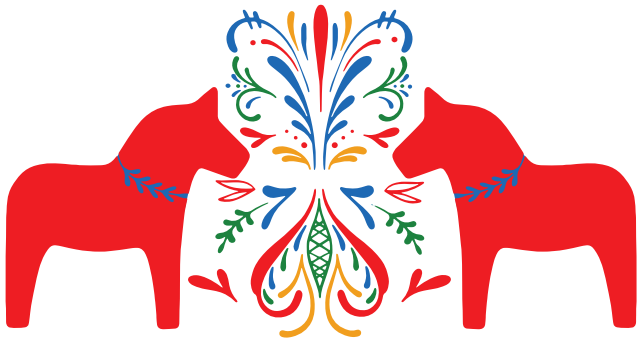


Celebrating
the life of
George Olaf Erickson
January 23, 1931 - July 24, 2022





Pallbearers

Ben Erickson
Clay Erickson
Patrick Erickson

Peter Erickson
Kyle Jordet
Wayne Liden

Honorary Pallbearers

Kate Barry
Trudy Erickson
Hollie Erickson
Brianna Erickson
Adelaide Erickson

Joey Halvorson
Kelly Jordet
Kelsey Karlstad
Kermit Malberg
Ernie Melvie

Honorary Pawbearer

Oscar the Beagle



ORDER OF SERVICE



Reverend Timothy Lundeen

July 29, 2022 • 1:00 p.m.

Rindal Lutheran Church • Newfolden, MN

Diane Waterworth, Organist & Pianist

Gathering Song

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

Rick & Sally Erickson, accompanied by Ben Erickson

Processional

Children of the Heavenly Father

LBW Hymnal #474

Welcome

Remembrance of Baptism

Remembering George

Congregational Hymn

In the Garden

Family of God Hymnal #588

Lessons

Lamentations 3:21-26

Roman 8:31-38

Psalms 100

John 6:46-48

Roman 1:16-17

John 3:16-17

Message of Faith & Salvation

Special Music

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Jordan Koland accompanied by Diane Waterworth

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Sending Hymn

Old Rugged Cross

Family of God Hymnal #256

Recessional

I'll Fly Away

Trinity Trio

George's family invites everyone to join us for a time of fellowship after the service.
Internment will follow at the Viking Cemetery.

George Olaf Erickson passed away at his home on July 24, 2022, at the age of 91, surrounded by his loving family.

George was born on January 23, 1931, in Warren, MN, to William (Willie) and Clarissa Erickson. He attended grade school at the one-room school house near Viking, MN, where his mother, Clarissa, was the teacher. He graduated from Warren High School in 1948 at the age of 17. He was baptized into the Lutheran Faith and Confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church in Viking.

George was united in marriage to Emma Bennett on March 16, 1951, in Viking, MN. Five children were born of this union: Kathryn, Russell, Richard, Joel, and Jeffrey. They made their home in rural Viking, where George farmed with his step-father raising turkeys. In 1955, George and Emma moved their family to Milwaukee, WI. In Milwaukee, he was employed at Bucyrus-Erie, a large dragline manufacturer, where he learned the precision machining trade. In 1963, they moved back to their rural Viking home, where George resumed farming and raising turkeys.

In 1976, George founded Ericco Tool & Manufacturing, which was located on the Erickson family farm, where he worked alongside his son, Rick. Ericco is a custom tooling and manufacturing operation working with local and national corporations such as Arctic Cat, Marvin Windows, and the U.S. Military. Thanks in large part to George and Rick's partnership, today, Ericco is a thriving third-generation family business.

George loved baseball and was a pitcher for the Viking Oilers baseball team of the Red River Valley League. He traveled around the region with the Oilers throughout the 50s. When not working, George enjoyed spending time with his family at their lake home in Detroit Lakes, MN, attending the Minnesota State Fair, watching Twins baseball, and doting on his faithful companion Oscar the beagle. He was proud of his Swedish heritage and was an avid genealogy researcher. In 2012 he was instrumental in the revival of the Rindal Lutheran Church and was a proud and faithful parishioner. George loved deer hunting and sharing the season with his family in the woods "up north." This past fall, he shot his last buck at the age of 90.

Left to mourn his passing are his children Kathryn (Wayne) Liden, Russell (Nancy) Erickson, Joel (Rhonda) Erickson, Jeffrey (Becky) Erickson, daughter-in-law Sally Erickson, grandchildren Kelly (Kyle) Jordet, Ben (DeeAnn) Erickson, Kate (Tim) Barry, Patrick (Lindsay) Erickson, Trudy (Joey Halvorson) Erickson, Kelsey (Kasey) Karlstad, Hollie Erickson, Clay Erickson, Brianna Erickson, Adelaide Erickson, and granddaughter-in-law Larissa Hoover; 19 great-grandchildren, Emma Jordet, Jonathan Barry, Nikolas Barry, Lucas Erickson, Isaac Erickson, Nora Veselka, Owen Liden Lill, William Erickson, Mason Liden Lill, Charlie Erickson, Britta Erickson, Paisley Pifer, Collyns Karlstad, Shay Halvorson, Madelyn Hoover, Jacob Erickson, Camryn Karlstad, Carter Karlstad, Ruby Halvorson, several nieces, nephews, and Oscar the beagle.

He is preceded into death by his wife, Emma; son, Richard Erickson; parents, Willie Erickson, Clarissa and Egbert Malberg; brothers Earl and Paul Erickson; and grandson Zane Erickson.