



Norman Edwin Staal, Jr. "Jr." was born during the WWII era in Tacoma, Washington on March 16, 1943 to Norman, Sr. and Margaret (Lee) Staal, as his father was serving in the military at the time. His mother returned to the Arnegard area shortly after, where he was raised and educated at rural country schools. He was raised in the Lutheran Faith and was confirmed at Garden Lutheran Church. At an early age, Jr. started working on area ranches and found a passion with the

western "cowboy style" of living. He enjoyed helping trail bucking horses to area rodeos in his younger days.

Jr. was united in marriage to Lois Burr in Sidney, MT on November 7, 1963. They made their first home in Watford City for a time and then lived on the various ranches where he worked. Together they raised their three children, Barb, Michael and Shawn. In 1971, Jr. and Lois moved to Ideal Township, southwest of Watford City where they raised cattle until the time of his death. It was nothing to see dad out early in the morning mending fences and on into the evening finishing up the days work. He would drop anything he was doing to help a friend and his friends did the same for him. Dad loved all aspects of the ranch life. He especially enjoyed having his family come and help and always planned a full day of it. Jr. was a member of the Long X Wagon train, and the Arnegard Lions Club and the North Dakota Stockman's Association. He enjoyed haying, working with his cattle and horses.

Lois preceded Jr. in death on October 29, 1995 at Bismarck, North Dakota.

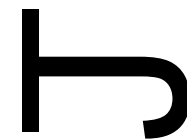
He is survived by his children; Barb (Dean) Olson of Killdeer, ND and their children, Tanner and Ethan, Michael (Marie) Staal of Gillette, WY and their children, Lathan, Dalton and Shaleigh, Shawn (Kari) Staal of Watford City and their children, Braden and Wyatt and a great granddaughter, Zoey Staal, brother, Larry (Tana) Staal, of Halliday, ND, Marlene (Alvin) Wold, of Watford City, ND and Judy (Herb) Murie, of Arnegard, ND and many nieces and nephews; and a special friend, Judy Opsta and her daughter, Jan (Mike) Lynch and family and her son Jarrad (Tanya) Torstenson.

Jr. was preceded in death by his Parents, and wife, Lois.

## *In Memory Of Norman Staal, Jr.*



*March 16, 1943 ~ June 9, 2011*



# In Memory Of Norman Staal, Jr.

*Date And Place Of Birth*

March 16, 1943

Tacoma, Washington

*Date And Place of Death*

June 9, 2011

Watford City, North Dakota

## *Funeral Service*

2:00 PM, Monday, June 13, 2011

Wilmington Lutheran Church

Arnegard, North Dakota

## *Officiating*

Pastor Tim Swenson

Intern Pastor Rob Favorite

## *Musicians*

Patti Hovde ~ Accompanist

Patti Leiseth ~ Organist

Don Leiseth ~ Vocalist

## *Casketbearers*

Donald Leiseth

Braden Staal

Tanner Olson

Ethan Olson

## *Honorary Bearers*

All of Jr.'s Family & Friends

Olaf Leiseth (dec.)

Ray Berquist (dec.)

## *Ushers*

Jared Schaff

Darin Wold

## *Interment*

Farland Cemetery

Rural Arnegard, North Dakota

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with the family at the Fulkerson Funeral Home website  
[www.fulkersons.com](http://www.fulkersons.com)



It's not the end of the trail for me,  
I'm just headin' out to the light I see.

Beyond those mountains there's a soft glow;

It's gettin' brighter the closer I go.

It's like the beginning of a new day,

And the trail I'm followin' leads the way.

I feel sure there's friends and family ahead,  
and they've set up camp on a brand new spread.

Yes, I can hear the voices callin' my name,  
sayin', "Welcome Jr, sure glad you came",

This new range is special, you'll like it here,  
There's grass for your horses, the streams are clear,

The cattle are gentle and never stampede,  
And in every direction there's plenty of feed.

If you're thinkin' it sounds too good to be true,  
it's not-'cause the Boss made a promise to you.

If you'd ride for his brand, be honest and square,  
He'd relieve all your pain, and remove every care.

He was mighty pleased with our life on earth,  
That you did your best, and proved your worth.

So step off your horse, and tied on up,  
Your friends are all waiting to pour you a cup.

We'll talk about old days, as time allows,  
'cause startin' tomorrow you'll be workin cows!"

**Staal Ranch**