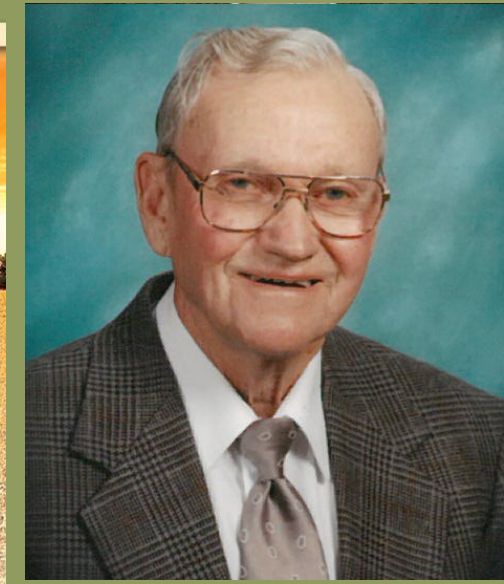


Donald M. Olson was born on the family farm northwest of Ray, North Dakota, on July 18th 1928. As a child, he attended county schools and Ray grade school. In his younger days, he enjoyed playing the accordion and traveling to California to visit his sister Hazel. He was married to Dolores Polson January 2, 1954, and they enjoyed more than sixty-one years of marriage, making their home on the farm where he was born. He was a member of the Wheelock Lutheran Church where he served on the council until the church closed and he then became a member of Ray Lutheran Church. He was a great farmer and enjoyed trying different varieties of small grain. He found great pleasure checking the fields in the summer evenings.

His wife, children, grandchildren, and extended family meant so much to him. He will be greatly missed by: his wife, Dolores; daughters, Debra (Ron) Knight, Judy (Randy) Kvande, Carol (Randy) Donnelly; son, Ronald (Carol) Olson; grandchildren, Zach (Kelsey) Knight-King, Rachel (John) Voight, Eric (Megan) Knight, Bob (Meagan) Holm, Jeramy (Danae) Holm, Andy (Danielle) Holm, Corey (Raissa) Holm, Crystal Holm, Amanda (Coby) Hubble, Matt Kvande, Sara Kvande, Joshua Donnelly, Nathan Donnelly, Emily Donnelly, Justine (Zachary) Haase, Jonathan Olson, Kadan Olson; brothers and sisters-in-law, Donald and Dorothy Polson, Lorena Brackey, Harlene and Ken Cole, Milan and Carol Liesener, Gloria and Carlyle Norby; many nieces and nephews; and 20 great grandchildren.



He was preceded in death by: his daughter, Kathy Holm; grandson, Travis Kvande; sisters, Hazel and Gladys; brothers, Julius and Vernon; and his parents.



In Memory Of
Donald Merlyn Olson

July 18, 1928

July 28, 2015

Final Harvest

*He was bound to the land from the
day of his birth*

*His roots anchored deep in the fertile earth
Nurtured, sustained, by the soil he grew
And his life, like his furrows, ran
straight and true.*

*In faith, each spring, he planted the seeds
In hope, to reap his family's needs
With patience, he waited for the harvest to come
to gather the fruits of his labor home.*

*Ever turning the seasons, the years sped past
Till the final harvest came at last
Then claimed anew by beloved sod
He was gathered home to be with God.*

Barbara W. Weber

Donald Merlyn Olson

Born

July 18, 1928 Ray, ND

Died

July 28, 2015 Williston, ND

Funeral Service

11:00 AM, Monday, August 3, 2015

Ray Lutheran Church

Ray, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Steve Anderson

Music

Michelle Dolan ~ Organist

Vicki Liesener ~ Vocalist

Casketbearers

Eric Knight

Matt Kvande

Josh Donnelly

Jonathan Olson

Bob Holm

Jeremy Holm

Honorary Casketbearers

*All of Donald's Grandchildren
and Great-Grandchildren*

Interment

Sunset Rest Cemetery

Ray, North Dakota

*Lunch will be served in the church
fellowship hall following graveside services*

*You may share your remembrances, condolences, and pictures
with the family at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home website
www.fulkersons.com*