



"Cause I'm leaving on a jet plane
I don't know when I'll be back again
Oh babe I hate to go"



Farmers
THE BEST OF MANKIND

In Loving Memory

JAMES ERVIN WEYRAUCH

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH
FEBRUARY 22, 1947 ~ WILLISTON, N.D.

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH
MARCH 18, 2016 ~ MINOT, N.D.

FUNERAL SERVICE
11 O'CLOCK TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2016
RAY LUTHERAN CHURCH
RAY, NORTH DAKOTA

OFFICIATE
PASTOR STEVE ANDERSON

MUSIC
ANN RADI ~ ACCOMPANIST
STEVE JOHNSON ~ VOCALIST

PALLBEARERS
DAVID TANK ~ STEVE MAGNUSON
NEIL THORPE ~ JOHN THORPE
JEFF KNOX ~ DONALD KNOX

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
ALL OF JIM'S GRANDCHILDREN
VANESSA, NATHANIEL, TRISTAN, KEEGAN,
SHEA, ISABELLA, LIAM JAMES
BRIELLE

FINAL RESTING PLACE
SUNSET REST CEMETERY
RAY, NORTH DAKOTA

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home - Tioga, ND
has been entrusted with arrangements and services.



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James Ervin Weyrauch

February 22, 1947 - March 18, 2016





Jim was born on February 22, 1947 to Cyril and Hazel (Anderson) Weyrauch in Williston, ND. He graduated from Ray High School in 1965. In 1966, Jim enlisted in the United States Army and completed his basic training at Ft. Lewis in Washington. During his service, he was stationed in Saigon, until returning to Fargo. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Specialist 5 in August of 1969. He returned to Ray, where he worked various jobs, including elevator construction for Jacobson & Sons, and driving truck for Haliburton and the Ray Lumberyard, until he was able to begin farming full time, which was his lifelong passion.

On March 24, 1973, Jim married Colleen (Magnuson) Weyrauch and they made their home in Ray. Jim designed the home where they lived and raised their three children. He was very active in the community, including the Ray Jaycees and as a troop leader for the Boy Scouts. He was a youth group leader for 15 years between St Michael's Catholic Church and Ray Lutheran Church. He also sang in the church choir at Ray Lutheran Church and was a bus driver for Ray Public School.

Jim was the first farmer in the area to try his luck with farming lentils. He later served on the Dry Pea and Lentil Association Board, eventually as Vice President, which allowed him to travel to Spain and attend the World Market. Jim and Colleen made Minot their permanent home in 2004, and Jim retired from farming in 2005. Upon retiring from farming, he worked as a bus driver for the school where his daughter, Christina, was a teacher and also as a taxi driver in Minot where he gathered many, many lively stories!

Jim had a lifelong love of bird watching, reading Westerns, designing and building wood projects, and following his children's school activities. He loved spending time with his family, including his special job of taking his grandsons for haircuts. He was also famous in his family for his love of hard candies and Cherry Coke, which he always shared with his children and grandchildren.

Jim is survived by his wife, Colleen, his two daughters, Christina (Scott) and Alyssa (Dan) and his son Adam (Amy). His grandchildren: Vanessa (Tyler), Nathaniel, Tristan, Keegan, Shea, Isabella, and Liam James. He also had one great-granddaughter, Brielle. His sisters, Phyllis (Harry) Bowen and Betty (Arlen) Leholm, as well as numerous aunts, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughter, Michelle, and his parents, Hazel and Cyril Weyrauch.

