

CELEBRATING A LIFE

**Nick Fredrich Bachmeier**

*Born to Louie & Elizabeth Bachmeier*  
November 16, 1934 ~ Rugby, North Dakota

*Returned to His Heavenly Father*  
August 30, 2019 ~ Williston, North Dakota

***His Funeral Mass***

Friday, September 6, 2019 at 11:00 am  
St Joseph's Catholic Church ~ Williston, North Dakota

***Officiating***

Father Russell Kovash

***Music***

Luke Lordemann      Josh Ackerman  
Tim Christen      Jerry Gratz      G.P. Eleria

***Gift Bearers***

Elaine Fixen      Donna Littlefield

***Readers***

Sheila Haaland      Laura Nygard

***Pallbearers***

Eugene Fixen      Gene Littlefield      Brian Haaland  
Steven Fixen      Larry Bachmeier      Todd Nygard

***Military Honors***

North Dakota Honor Guard

***Final Resting Place***

Riverview Cemetery ~ Williston, North Dakota

***Arrangements By***

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, North Dakota



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**Dad**

He rarely said, "I love you,"  
in words I can recall.  
He felt it not the manly thing to do.  
Yet, deep within my heart  
I know that love was really there.  
His eyes, his touch, the things he did  
all told me that it's true.  
And now it's time to say, "Goodbye,"  
to Father and to friend.  
Sweet memories remain of him,  
ones that will not end.



*In Loving Memory Of*

**Nick Bachmeier**

November 16, 1934 - August 30, 2019



Nick Bachmeier, 84, of Williston, passed away Friday afternoon, August 30, 2019 surrounded by family and friends at Bethel Lutheran Nursing Home.

On November 16, 1934 in Rugby, ND, Nick was the first of eight children born to parents, Louie and Elizabeth (Schmidt) Bachmeier. He was raised on the farm and attended school at Jefferson 1 and Little Flower Schools. In June 1957, Nick was drafted into the U.S. Army, receiving an honorable discharge, June 1959. Upon his return, he worked on the family farm and worked miscellaneous jobs, including hauling rock in the Devils Lake and Williston areas. He moved to Williston in 1960, working for the Williston Herald as a typesetter and print man. He met Mary Ann Young during that year. They were married, September 23, 1961, celebrating their 50th Anniversary in 2011.

In 1967, Nick began a 31 year career with the North Dakota State Highway Department, retiring in 1998 as the Sign Shop Foreman. While working at the Highway Department, Nick started a part-time business in 1973, Nick's Sharpening Service, which he continued during his retirement years. The business was very successful. Word of the great service he provided continues to be passed on as his daughters still receive inquiries if Nick's service is still available.

Nick relaxed by playing his accordion, which he learned to play-by-ear in his teens. In his younger years, alongside his dad, couple of siblings and cousins, Nick played for many wedding, anniversary and birthday celebrations. Playing in these bands continued with friends in the Williston area. After retirement, he was asked to play his accordion at the Williston Senior Center, Bethel Home and St. Joseph's Polka Mass. He also enjoyed listening to polka radio and tv shows.

He is survived by his daughters, Yvette Bachmeier and Theresa (Allen) Nygaard of Williston; grandson, Colby Nygaard of Williston; brothers, John Bachmeier of Woodland, CA and Joe (Lilian) Bachmeier of Havre, MT; sisters, Clara Fixen of Williston and Bea (Marlin) Welk of Rugby; sister-in-law, Bea (Fritel) Bachmeier; brother and sister-in-law, Tim (Sandi) Young; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Nick was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ann; parents, Louie and Elizabeth (Schmidt) Bachmeier; sister, Katie Brown; brothers, Vince Bachmeier and Pete Bachmeier; in-laws, Fran Bachmeier, Al Brown, LeRoy Fixen and Carol Engebret; father and mother-in-law, Frank (Betty) Young.

He was a kind and soft spoken man with a great sense of humor. He will be missed by many family and friends. Yvette and Theresa feel they were greatly blessed to have Nick and Mary Ann for parents. They would like to thank those who visited and the wonderful care and friendship Nick received during his stay at Bethel Home.



Psalm 91:4

He will cover you with his feathers,  
and under his wings you will find refuge;  
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.

Honor  
*Loving Memory*



You are not forgotten,  
*loved one*  
Nor will you ever be,  
As long as life and memory last  
We will remember thee,  
We miss you now, our hearts are sore  
As time goes by we'll miss you more.  
*Your loving smile,*  
*your gentle face,*  
No one can fill  
your vacant place.