

In Loving Memory Gene Ray Heller

Born to Christ & Anna Heller
March 25, 1928
Hebron Township, North Dakota

Called Home to His Heavenly Father
February 21, 2020
Williston, North Dakota

Funeral Service
Friday, February 28, 2020 at 11:00 AM
Our Redeemers Lutheran Church
Williston, North Dakota

Officiating
Pastor Steve Lundblom

Music
"Amazing Grace" ~ "Rock Of Ages"
"Abide With Me" ~ "Green Green Grass of Home"
Mona Craft ~ Soloist
Celeste Lundblom ~ Organist

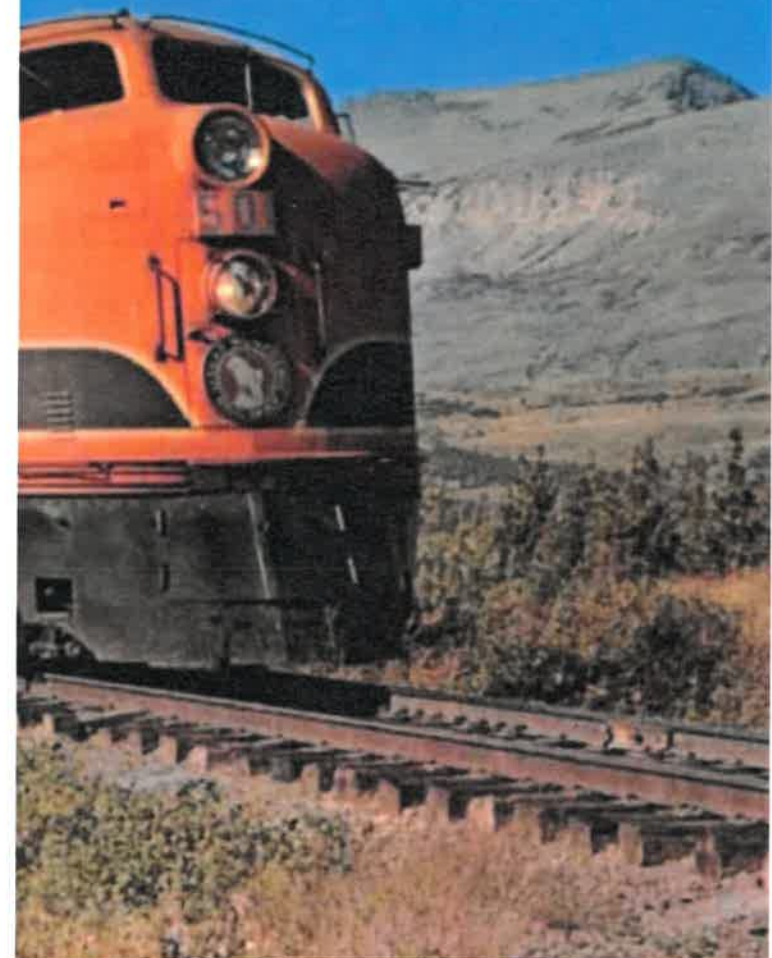
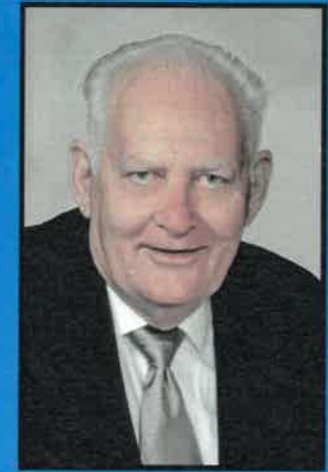
Pallbearers
Timothy Thornton Toby Thornton
Tory Thornton Eric Heller
Christian Heller Andrew Heller

Final Resting Place
Hillside Memory Gardens
Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By
Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home
Williston, North Dakota

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Gene Ray Heller was born March 25, 1928, the son of Christ P. and Anna L. (Zemliska) Heller, Sr. on the family farm in Hebron Township, west of Williston. He attended Pioneer School and graduated from Williston High School.

After graduating with a degree in Refrigeration from North Dakota State College of Science, he began his career with Great Northern Railroad on June 7, 1950. He retired as a Conductor on December 31, 1988. He was a proud member of the United Transportation Union #1840.

On September 17, 1950, he was united in holy marriage to the love of his life, Jordis Klarinda Hermanson, in McGregor, ND. They made their home in Williston, where they raised their six children. He loved flowers and gardening, playing cards, western movies, never-ending building projects and watching sports, especially a Phil Jackson-coached team. He loved his children and watching his grandchildren and great-grandchildren play. At the time of his death, he still possessed a sharp mind.

He is survived by his beloved bride of nearly 70 years, Jordis, Williston, ND; three daughters, Rebecca and her husband, Thomas Thornton, Rexburg, ID, Elizabeth and her husband, Tom Wells, Jamestown, ND, and Fayette Heller, Odessa, TX; two sons, Terry Heller, Williston, ND, and Toby Heller and his wife, Tina, Beulah, ND; 18 grandchildren, 36 great-grand children; one brother, Jack Heller, Peoria, AZ; and close loving family friend, Kenneth Winter.

He is preceded in death by his parents; one son, Jim Heller; one grandson, Jacob Heller; three sisters, Suzie Mueller, Marjorie Udland and Annette Berg; and four brothers, Roy Heller, Glen Heller, Lloyd Heller and Christ Heller, Jr.



The LORD is my *Shepherd;*
I shall not want.
He maketh me to
lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my
soul.
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.
I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies
Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23