

On the morning of June 25, 2020 Paul Linseth passed away of natural causes at the Good Shepherd Nursing Home in Watford City in the company of his loving wife Vivian. Paul was 92 years old.

Paul was born August 2, 1927 in Shafer, North Dakota to Severine and Gudrun (Heim) Linseth. He was the sixth of twelve children. Growing up on the family farm in North Dakota with eleven siblings and one niece, Paul had a very full and exciting childhood that always centered around family. Paul was not the type to shy away from some good-natured mischief and teasing among siblings such as stealing food off your plate when you weren't looking.

In the late 1940's Paul met the love of his life, Vivian Renbarger. Vivian was the younger sister of his friends Arnold and Vernon Renbarger. The two were married in Williston, North Dakota on June 17, 1950. It was the beginning of something truly special. Paul enlisted in the US Army prior to the wedding and shortly after they exchanged vows, he left to begin his training. He served for four years in Texas and North Carolina. While stationed in Texas, they started their family with the birth of their daughter Shalisha. Upon Paul's honorable discharge from the Army, they returned to North Dakota where Paul worked for the Farmers Union and eventually took up farming which was one of his greatest passions in life. The couple also saw their family grow with the additions of four sons: Savern, Shane, Sheldon, and Steven.



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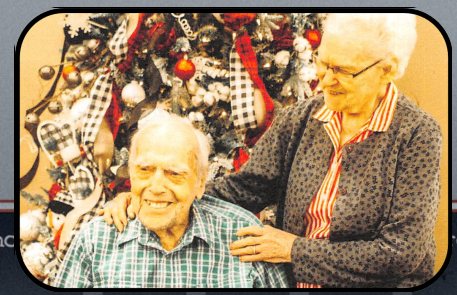
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Paul retired from farming in 1992 and moved from the farm to their home in Watford City, where he turned his green thumb to growing bucket loads of his prized tomatoes and other plants in his garden. Retirement didn't slow Paul down much, however. He was active in the American Legion Post No. 29 Drill Team, the McKenzie County Weed Board, and he still loved to spend time at the farm.

Paul's favorite thing was to visit with friends and family and to make people laugh. Whether it was coffee down at the Farmers Union, lunch at the Café, or a family gathering with loved ones Paul could be counted on for a good story and a laugh. He loved spending time with his grandkids, chasing them around with one of his wigs on, telling one of his famous "when I was a little girl in Norway" stories and occasionally stealing food off the kids' plates.

In 2016 Paul and Vivian moved into the Good Sheperd home together where they continued to enjoy visits from family and friends. Paul was notorious for teasing the nurses and prodding the now great-grandchildren with his cane. On June 17, 2020 Paul and Vivian celebrated 70 years of a faithful and happy marriage by renewing their wedding vows surrounded by family and friends.

Paul is survived by: his wife Vivian Linseth; children, Shalisha Quinnell, Severn, Shane (Brenda), Sheldon, Steven; brother, Jim Linseth; raised as a sister, Sheryl Lillibridge; 12 Grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren. Paul was preceded in death by: his parents, Severine and Gudrun Linseth; brothers, Phillip, Omar, Gerald, Roland, and Lynn; sisters, Ruth Anderson, Esther Gorder, Naomi Foreland, Edith Veeder, and Judith Neer. The family would like to thank the staff at the Good Shepard Home, and Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home.



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PAUL LINSETH



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PAUL LINSETH

BORN TO SEVERINE & GUDRUN LINSETH
AUGUST 2, 1927 ~ SCHAFER, ND

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JUNE 25, 2020 ~ WATFORD CITY, ND

SERVICES
10:00AM TUESDAY JUNE 30, 2020
JOHNSON CORNER WESLEYAN CHURCH
WATFORD CITY, NORTH DAKOTA

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PASTOR JASON GRESSMAN

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MIKE LINSETH LANE QUINNELL
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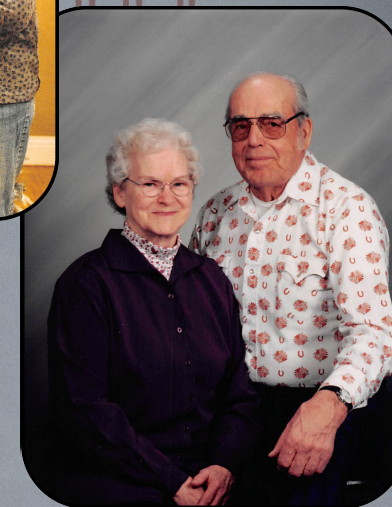
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FINAL RESTING PLACE
JOHNSON CORNERS CEMETERY
WATFORD CITY, NORTH DAKOTA

**A LUNCHEON WILL BE SERVED AT THE
CHURCH FOLLOWING THE BURIAL**

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He never 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.