



When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not there to see,  
If the *sun should rise* and find your eyes all  
filled with tears for me.

I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today.

While I'm thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me,

as much as I love you,

and each time you think of me I know you'll miss me too.

But when tomorrow starts without me please try to understand,

that an *Angel* came and called my name  
and took me by the hand.

She said my place was ready in heaven far above,  
and that I'd have to leave behind

all those **I DEARLY LOVE.**

But as I turned and walked away, a tear fell from my eye,  
for all my life I always thought I didn't want to die.

I had so much to live for, I had so much to do.

It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.

I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,

I thought of all the love we shared and all the *fun* we had.

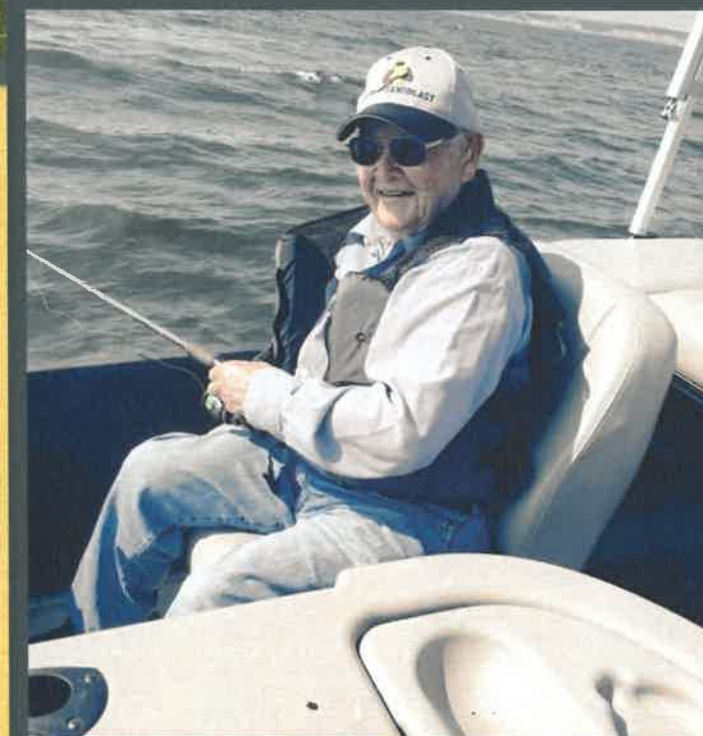
If I could re-live yesterday,

I thought just for a while,

I'd say goodbye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.

So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,

For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your **HEART.**



*In Loving Memory Of*

**Donald Eugene Aune**

June 13, 1932 - October 30, 2020





Donald Eugene Aune, 88, of Stanley, ND went to be with the Lord on October 30, 2020 at which time he was a resident of the Tioga Medical Center Long Term Care in Tioga, ND.

Don was an active member of the First Lutheran Church in White Earth, ND. He was born on June 13, 1932 in Minot, ND, one of 4 sons born to Alfonso and Gunda Aune. He grew up in the Manitou and Lunds Valley area on the family farm and attended school at Lunds Valley and graduated from Stanley High School. He was employed by Great Northern Railroad before joining the Army in May of 1953. He earned medals for parachute jumping, national defense, and good conduct. He spent two years active duty and eight years in reserves.

He married Shirley Pappa in August 1955 until her passing in May of 1977. Five children were born during that union. They raised their family on the family farm near Cottonwood Lake. He sold the farm and moved to Stanley after he lost Shirley.

Don married Delphine Ennis of Stanley on June 5, 1979. Until his retirement in 1994 he was employed at Sundhagen Construction, Stanley School District, ASK, Inc., Tioga Air Heaters and Stanley Park Board after retirement. Don enjoyed hunting, fishing, and playing cards. He was an avid wood worker. Many people own pieces that Don hand crafted. He also enjoyed visiting with friends and family. If you were in need of a smile or humor, you could get it from Don.

Don and Delphine traveled to see children, grandchildren and other family as long as his health prevailed. When he could no longer travel, he wanted to be fishing. He didn't care if he caught fish, it was the sport, the company and the beauty of the day.

Don is survived by his wife, Delphine; children, Scott (Lyda) of Bismarck, Dawn (Dave) Rayburn of Ohio, Cheryl (Danny) Holbert of Oklahoma; daughter-in-law, Karla Aune of Mandan, Richard (Anna) Gerwien of Tioga, Yvonne (Ronald) Gunderson of Montana, Sandy (Tim) Gerwien of Wisconsin and Ronnie Gerwien of Williston; 22 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; brother, Allen of Mountrail County Nursing home and many nieces, nephews and extended family members.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Shirley; son, Myron; daughter, Colette; granddaughter, Kristi; and brothers, Clayton and Ardell.

## **In Loving Memory Donald Eugene Aune**

### ***Born to Alfonso & Gunda Aune***

June 13, 1932  
Minot, North Dakota

### ***Returned to His Heavenly Father***

October 30, 2020  
Tioga, North Dakota

### ***Funeral Service***

Friday, November 6, 2020 11:00 AM  
First Lutheran Church  
White Earth, North Dakota

### ***Officiating***

Pastor Mike Olson

### ***Music***

"Satisfied Mind"

Jim Hegland & Janice Hanson ~ Vocalists

Brenda Kutter ~ Accompanist

Go Rest High On That Mountain" ~ Vince Gill

### ***Pallbearers***

Richard Gerwien	Daniel Gerwien
Shane Gunderson	Dane Aune
Joe Gunderson	Jerome Gunderson
Lance Cotton	Brandon Aune
	Devin Aune

### ***Honorary Pallbearers***

All of Don's Family & Friends

### ***Military Honors***

American Legion Honor Guard ~ Stanley, North Dakota  
North Dakota Honor Guard

### ***Final Resting Place***

Manitou Cemetery ~ Ross, North Dakota

### ***Arrangements By***

Springan Stevenson Funeral Home