

Celebrating A Life Well Lived Gerald "Gary" Rooks

Born to Bruce and Ione Rooks

March 7, 1932 ~ Minot, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father

January 7, 2026 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Memorial Service

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 ~ 2:00 PM

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Williston, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Dave Maxfield

Musician

Pat Lund

Music

"Beautiful Savior"

"Breath On Me, Breath Of God"

"Amazing Grace"

Final Resting Place

Thursday, January 15, 2026

11:00 AM

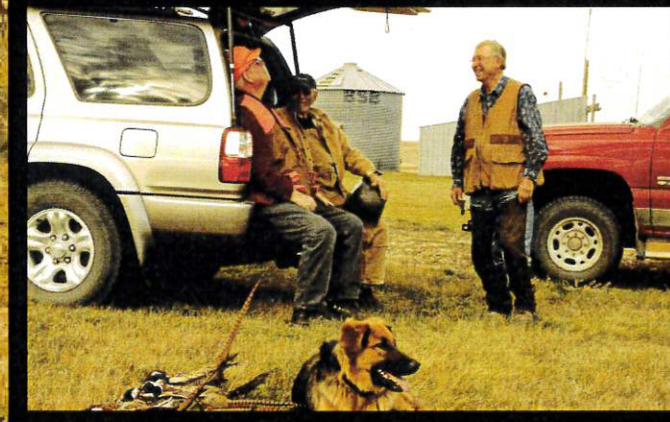
Hillside Memorial Gardens

Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home

Williston, North Dakota

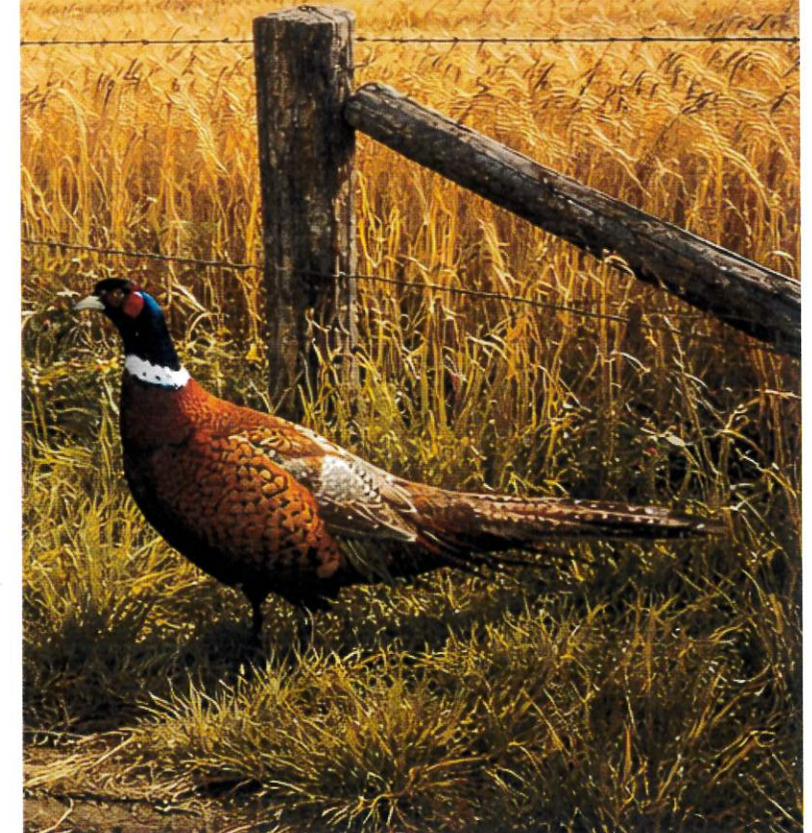
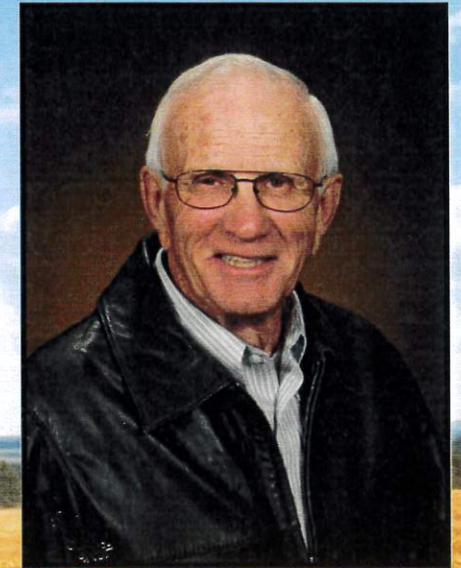


In Loving Memory Of

Gary Rooks

March 7, 1932

January 7, 2026



...and on the 8th day God looked down on his planned paradise & said "I need a caretaker" so God made a FARMER



EDUCATION:
A teacher effects
Eternity;
he can never
influence tell where his
stops.

Gerald "Gary" N. Rooks peacefully passed away on January 7, 2026.

Born in Minot, North Dakota on March 7, 1932 to Bruce and Lone Rooks. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. Gerald lived on the family farm and attended a rural school and graduated from Minot Model High with the class of 1950.

Gary continued his education at Minot State Teachers College and University of North Dakota with a Masters degree in business and school administration. He taught for forty-two years, ten years in high school and thirty-two years teaching and in administration at University of North Dakota Williston.

Gary married Marilyn Miller on June 5, 1955 at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Minot, ND.

He was an active farmer in Williams and Ward County flying his plane back and forth for many years. He enjoyed winters in Arizona, golfing, hiking, hunting with friends and a dedicated Teton fan. He enjoyed many adventures and was curious his whole life.

Gary is survived by his wife of 70 years Marilyn J Rooks; daughter, Kimberlee Wallingford and son-in-law, Michael Wallingford; grandchildren, Nikki and Garet Rooks.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and son, Craig Rooks.

Memorials may be given to the Gloria Dei food pantry or Charity of your choice.

