

## Marvin Richard Ogdahl

Marvin Richard Ogdahl was born on September 17, 1925, to Gilbert and Juliette (Iverson) Ogdahl in Chance, SD. He grew up and attended school at Boehrs, SD up to the eighth grade, and later received his GED. He worked many jobs in a farming community until he was drafted for service in WWII. He received basic training at Little Rock, AR, and served from August 29, 1944, to August 21, 1946, in Manila, Philippines and the occupation of Japan. For a short time, Marvin served under General McArthur, packing crates for him as he prepared to go to Japan. After serving his country he purchased farm land near Chance, SD and started his farming in 1946.

On January 20, 1955, he married Emma Heinrich at Isabel, SD. They began their married life living in the home he had built for his parents at Boehrs, SD. In 1958, they moved the home to their farmland near Chance, SD, and continued to build up the farm. Four children were born to this union: Delbert Ernest, Dale Eugene, Diane Elaine, and Darwin Elbert. In 1969, they moved to Fort Collins, CO, where he worked in his brother's cabinet shop. He later worked for Heath Equipment as a welder and continued farming in South Dakota. In 1971, they moved to Sturgis, and Marvin built their family home. He continued farming until 2004. He worked very hard to teach each of his children virtues, morals, and the importance of common sense.

He enjoyed many things in his lifetime such as operating machinery, riding motorcycles and flying his own small aircraft. He loved woodwork, building many cabinets for loved ones, square and western dancing, and traveling to many different places including Canada, England, Germany, Hawaii, and many others. He got a lot of enjoyment out of visiting family and hosted many family reunions at his home.

He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Sturgis.

Marvin, 87, Sturgis, died on Thursday, July 11, 2013, at his daughter's residence in Texas.

Marvin is survived by his loving wife, Emma; two sons, Dale of Colorado Springs, CO, and Darwin (Debbie) of Las Vegas, NV; one daughter, Diane (Charles) Gunn of Belton, TX; daughter-in-law, Martha (Royce) Allen of Clifton, TX; 10 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

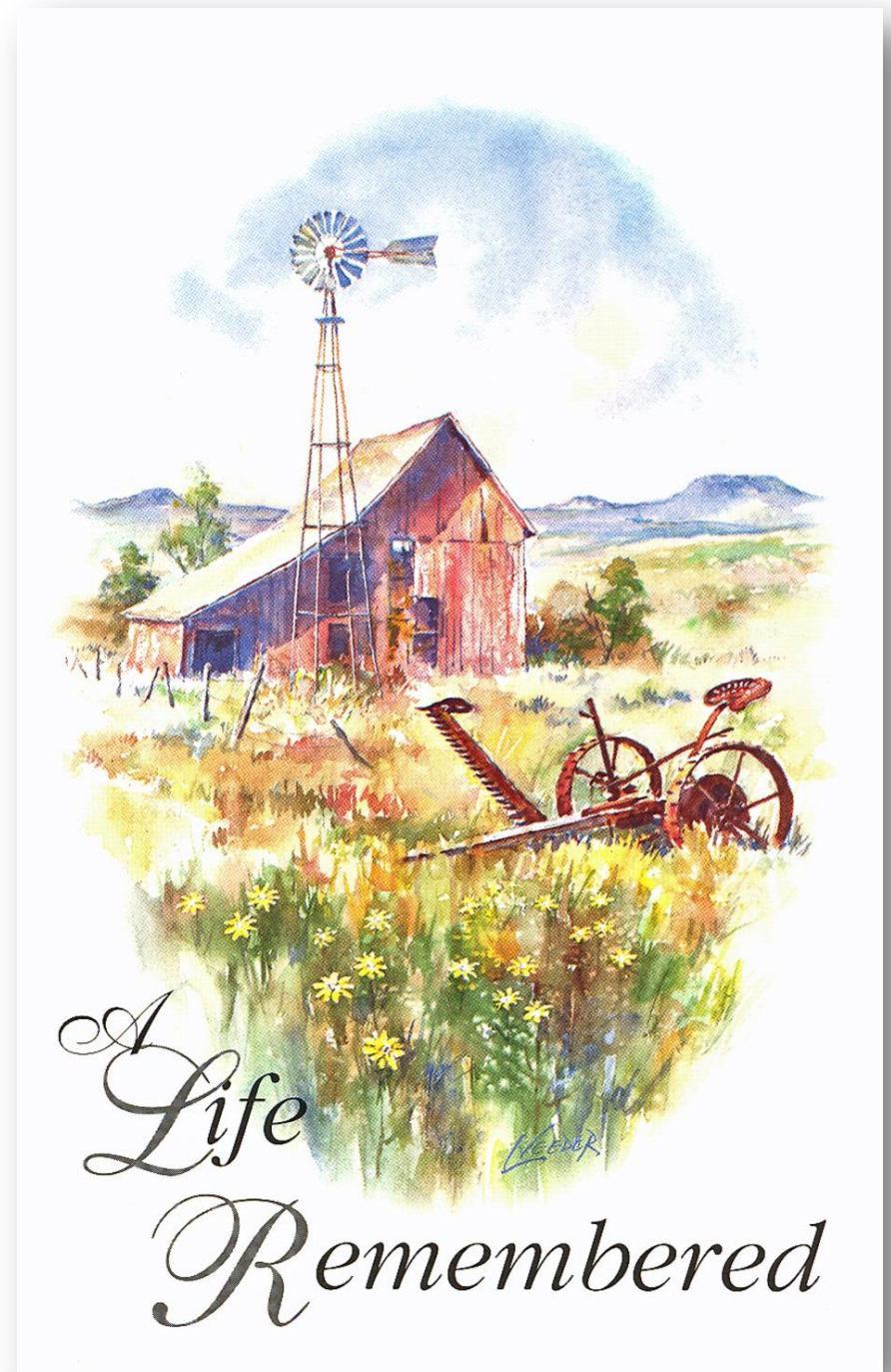
He is preceded in death by his son, Delbert; his parents, three sisters, two brothers, and two nephews.

A memorial has been established to the Parkinson's Disease Association and the Lighthouse Hospice located at 1616 Azalea Drive, #101 in Temple, Texas 76502.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the Son Shine Room in the church basement following the committal service.*

*We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



*A  
Life  
Remembered*



***A Father's Farewell to His Children***

*When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears,  
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,  
But start out bravely with a gallant smile:  
And for my sake and in my name  
Live on and do all things the same,  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,  
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer  
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;  
And never, never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

***In Loving Memory Of***

***Marvin Richard Ogdahl***

***Born***

September 17, 1925  
Chance, South Dakota

***Died***

July 11, 2013  
Belton, Texas

***Funeral Service***

Friday, July 19, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.  
Grace Lutheran Church

***Officiating***

Pastor Henrique Fleming

***Organist***

Marlene Kotab

***Soloist***

Danny Chapman

***Musical Selections***

"On Eagle's Wings"  
"The Old Rugged Cross"  
"Amazing Grace"

***Pallbearers***

Lloyd Veal ~ Trent Engebretson ~ Teric Engebretson  
Allen Voller ~ Joshua Childres ~ David Engebretson

***Honorary Pallbearers***

All Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren,  
And Lifetime Friends

***Military Honors***

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

***Interment***

Bear Butte Cemetery