



A Fisherman's Prayer

I pray that I
may live to fish.....
Until my dying day.
And when it comes to my last cast,
I then most humbly pray:

When in the Lord's
great landing net
And peacefully asleep
That in His mercy I be judged
Big enough to keep.



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Treasured Seasons

*For everything there is
an appointed season,
And a time for everything
under heaven-*

*A time for sowing,
a time for reaping;*

*A time for sharing,
a time for caring.*

*A time for loving,
a time for giving;*

*A time for remembering,
a time for parting.*

*You have made everything
beautiful in its time*

*For everything you do
remains forever.*

Melvin "Mick" Ommen, age 91, passed away the morning of Sunday, December 19, 2021 at Prairie Lakes Hospital in Watertown, SD. Melvin "Mick" Ommen was born in Hawarden, Iowa on June 14, 1930 to parents; Freida (Popken) Ommen and John Ommen.

He was united in marriage to Jelaine (Johnson) on December 27, 1951 in Pipestone, MN. to this union two daughters were born, Glenda and Deborah. The couple lived and farmed near Garden City. In 1965 they bought a farm near Henry where they had lived and farmed.

Melvin joined the US Army in 1951 and honorably served during the Korean War. After finishing his schooling around the fifth or sixth grade; Melvin knew he wanted to be a farmer. Although he wasn't as educated as most, Mick knew every detail that needed to be done around the farm starting at what the appropriate chemicals were that needed to be used on the property to the vaccinations for the animals. He could remember every turn that was necessary to take you to where you were going without a map.

In 1988, Mick was diagnosed with Ataxia and was told that within 2 years he would be in a wheelchair. That was when he decided to retire from farming. Even with this diagnosis that didn't stop Mick; he was an avid fisherman who never missed a Lion's fishing Tournament (he did this for 31 years) fishing with grandsons and friends, and even had a trailer at Bob's Resort for these events.

Mick never ended up needing a wheelchair and was very active in the Clark American Legion for 60 years, never missed coffee at the Elevator or lunch at the Double Barrel. He loved spending time with his family, riding with Heath in the combine, cheering on the grandkids at sporting events and really enjoyed the trips that he took to Arizona with Glenda.

Mick is survived by daughters, Glenda Kittelson and Deborah Hallauer of Henry; grandchildren, Heath (Jami Williams) of Henry, Travis (Leah) Kittelson and Matt (Brandi) Kittelson of Henry, Laura (David) Leheska of Chamberlain, Melissa (Jerome) Nesheim of Clark, and Michael (Jessica) Rawlins of Henry; great grandchildren, Wyatt, Madeline, Colton, Cooper, and Clayton Kittelson, Tyler, Luke, Sienna, and Grant Leheska, Kaiden and Trevor Rawlins, and Kamryn and Alex Nesheim, his brother, Donald Ommen of Idaho; and special caregiver, Dorene Foster.

Mick was preceded in death by his parents, Freida (Popken-Ommen) Gillum and John Ommen; maternal and paternal grandparents; his wife Jelaine Ommen, siblings, Vera Paswalk, Bernice Henricks, Hank Ommen, and Ervin Ommen; and son in-laws, Ken Kittelson and Bob Hallauer.



Celebrating the Life of Melvin "Mick" Ommen

Services from

St. Martin's Lutheran Church
Watertown, South Dakota
Thursday, December 30, 2021
10:30 AM

Officiant

The Reverend Keith Peterson

Music

Barb Hartley - Organist

"How Great Thou Art" - processional

"On Eagles Wings"

"Old Rugged Cross" - recessional

Casket Bearers

Heath Kittelson

Travis Kittelson

Matt Kittelson

Michael Rawlins

Jerome Nesheim

David Leheska

Interment with Full Military Honors

Military Rites by US Army & Clark Cagley-Smith Post #60

Lorinda Cemetery

Henry, South Dakota



Following the service, please join the family for lunch in the church hall.

*The family of Mick Ommen thanks you for your presence here today,
for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them.*