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# Treasured Seasons

To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven:

A time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

A time to kill and a time to heal; a time to break down and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing.

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war and a time of peace.



Gene Roger Helkenn, 89, passed away Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at Avantara in Clark with family by his side.

Gene was born on June 6, 1932 in Clark, SD to Edward and LaVerne (Kruthoff) Helkenn. He grew up on the family farm south of Raymond and graduated from Logan High School in 1950. In October of 1952, after graduation, Gene entered the army as a Combat Infantryman and machine gunner. He honorably discharged after 2 years in October of 1954.

On August 9, 1968, he married Carolyn Eneboe at the Clark Center Church. They had two sons; Randy in 1970 and Ryan in 1974.

Gene was a life long farmer with his brothers and his sons. He enjoyed spending time with his grand kids and enjoyed working in the yard and taking care of Carolyn. He moved to town in 2007.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Wayne, Norman, Arlyn (Um); sister, Patsy Wallum; and sister in-law, Mary.

Gene is survived by his wife, Carolyn; son Randy (Andrea) and granddaughters Zoey and Callie; son Ryan (Heather) and grandchildren Austin (Marisa), Alexa, and Breanna; his siblings, Dale (Lavonne) Helkenn, Butch (Betty) Helkenn; his sister in-laws, Joyce Helkenn, Roma Nelson, Virginia (Lee) Schmunk; and brother in-law Allen (Brenda) Eneboe; and many nieces and nephews.



# Celebrating the Life of Gene Helkenn



United Methodist Church Clark, South Dakota Monday, November 22, 2021 10:30 AM

**Officiant**Pastor Mark Tracy

#### Musíc

Wanda Bethke-Organist
"Hymn of Promise" - procession
"Precious Lord, Take my Hand" - recession

### Casketbearers

Chad Helkenn Larry Dreher Dave Helkenn Steve Splinter Mark Helkenn Austin Helkenn

## Interment with Full Military Honors

Military Rites by US Army Rose Hill Cemetery Clark, South Dakota



Please join the family for lunch and a time of fellowship in the church fellowship hall after the burial.

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