Wayne Topp, 92, passed away on Thursday, August 17, 2023, at the Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd, New Rockford, ND.

Wayne Richard Topp was born at home in rural McHenry, ND on October 23, 1930, to Fred and Jennie (Aultman) Topp. He went to Columbia School and farmed with his dad until he was united in marriage to Phyllis Anderson on July 23, 1950. Wayne and Phyllis started farming in 1951, raising cattle and milking cows. Shortly thereafter he owned and operated T&A Truck line with his brother-in-law. They moved to New Rockford in 1978 where they owned a Purina Feed Store.



Wayne was a founding member of the ND Simmental Association and was an ABS representative for over 30 years. NDSU awarded him outstanding agriculturist of Eddy County. He was a member of the Grace City Lutheran Church and was president of the New Rockford Eagles Club. Wayne was the leader of the Columbia Feeders 4H club for many years. Wayne and Phyllis loved to watch the Red Willow area softball and baseball teams. If there was a game, they were sitting on the red benches watching. They were thrilled when recognized by the Red Willow Crew for their loyalty and love of the game.

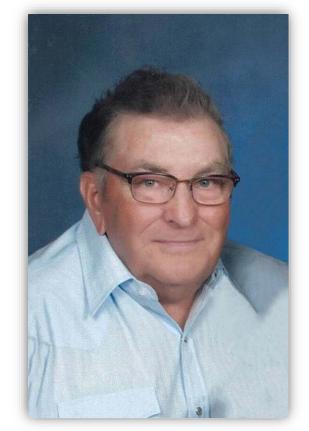
Wayne loved to visit with people and had countless friends throughout the years.

Wayne is survived by his wife, Phyllis of 73 years; a son, Lynn (Mary) Topp, Detroit Lakes, MN; daughters, Lisa (Thaddeus) Ashby, Nashville, TN and Jill (Michael) Thompson, Red Willow, 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Wayne is preceded in death by his parents; 4 infant brothers; brother, Russel Topp; sister, Margaret Rost, 2 brothers-in-law and a sister-in-law.



THE LIFE OF



Wayne Topp

OCTOBER 23, 1930 - AUGUST 17, 2023



God Saw Him

God saw he was getting tired And a cure was not to be So He put His arms around him And whispered, "Come to Me."

With tearful eyes we watched him suffer And saw him fade away. Although we loved him dearly We could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating; Hard working hands put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

Celebrating The Life Of Wayne Richard Topp

October 23, 1930 – August 17, 2023

VISITATION & PRAYER SERVICE Tuesday, August 22, 2023 Visitation 1:00PM - 7:00PM Prayer Service 7:00PM Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE Wednesday, August 23, 2023 10:30AM Grace Lutheran Church, Grace City, ND

> OFFICIATING Rev. Amy Kippen

> > MUSIC

Kathy McCracken ~ Pianist Congregational Hymn ~ The Old Rugged Cross Darwin Solberg ~ Soloist ~ In The Garden Jackie Walsh ~ Soloist ~ Lord's Prayer Congregational Hymn ~ Amazing Grace

PALLBEARERS Randy Eikom ~ Jeff Anderson ~ Francis Harding Kenny Reis ~ Jason Vollmer ~ Leon Weight

HONORARY PALLBEARERS Dewey and Joan Heckaman ~ Gilbert and Joann Black Mark and Joan Anderson ~ Jim and Julie Pogreba

> **BURIAL** Grace City Cemetery, Grace City, ND

Arrangements by Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND www.EvansFuneralHomeND.com