

Arthur "Art" Freeman, Jr., age 93, of Carrington, ND, passed away on Saturday, March 2, 2024, at Golden Acres Manor, Carrington, surrounded by his loving family.

Arthur John Freeman, Jr., was born August 2, 1930, in Kensal, ND to Arthur and Elsie (Partlow) Freeman. Art grew up in the Kensal area attending the Bucephalia #2 School until the 8th grade. At that time, he went to work as a farmhand for his uncle Ted Kollman, as well as a few other local farmers.

Art was united in marriage to Lois Summers on November 15, 1951, at St. John's Catholic Church in Kensal. Art and Lois made their home south of Bordulac where they farmed for three years before moving to Carrington in 1954. After moving to Carrington, Art worked road construction for two years before beginning to work for the Sisters of Presentation at Carrington Hospital on July 1, 1956. A few years later, Art and Lois began to raise their six sons. As a part-time job, Art worked at Hi-Standard for many years for Tuff Partlow and Walt Gregor. Art was a long-time member of the Carrington Volunteer Fire Department, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and a charter member of the Carrington Ambulance. After thirty-nine years, Art retired from the hospital on July 1, 1995. Art couldn't be found just sitting around in his retirement, so he drove the school bus for the Carrington School District from 1995-2008. He was always upbeat, didn't complain, loved a good conversation, and didn't hesitate to tell you what was on his mind.

Lois Freeman passed away on July 23, 2004. Art later married Virginia Carr on December 11, 2007, and together they enjoyed driving the countryside, playing cards, watching the races at the Jamestown Speedway, and attending their grandchildren's sporting events. Art enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping with his family throughout his life. These family activities were about creating memories of the outing not about the success of the event.

Art is survived by his children: John (Michelle), Carrington, ND; Joseph (Sharon), Stanley, ND; Michael (Patricia Whipple), Jamestown, ND; Brian "Butch" (Gina), Britton, SD; James, Carrington, ND; and Dennis (Karmen), Carrington, ND; twelve grandchildren: Mandi (Aaron), Beth (Neil), Lyndsey (Ryan), David (Callie), Drew (Melissa), Megan (Lucas), Patrick, Carly (Kass), Willow (Aidan), Anna, Kirby, and Rowdy; nine great-grandchildren with one on the way; his sister Lois (Jim) Mahutga, Carrington ND; a sister-in-law, Verna Freeman, Bismarck, ND; brothers-in-law Ray Haugen, California, and Terry Luggar, Minnesota, and Richard Kuebler, Fargo, ND; step-children: Rett Bata, Jean Womble, Robert Carr, Clinton Carr, Linda Duursma, Doug Carr, Keith Carr, and their families; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Lois, and his second wife, Virginia; an infant brother; an infant daughter, Mary; sisters: Shirley Haugen, Marie (Charles Mehring), and Cathy Luggar; and a brother, Fred Freeman.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorials to the Carrington Wrestling Club, the Carrington Fire Department, or the James River Humane Society.

Celebrating

THE LIFE OF



Arthur John Freeman, Jr.

AUGUST 2, 1930 - MARCH 2, 2024

A Hug from Heaven

Don't be sad - I'm here with Jesus.
Don't be sad and please don't cry.
I'm right here ... I've never left you ...
Don't you know that love can't die?
I am safe and warm and happy
As I've never been before,
Seeing Jesus face to face was more
Than I had bargained for.
As you speak, I'm right beside you.
As you walk, I'm by your side
Close your eyes and you'll see clearly
That my Spirit has not died.
Everyone's on earth for reasons
Man can't fully comprehend
But in heaven, I've seen clearly
Justice triumphs in the end.
Understand my love surrounds you
In a way you cannot see
Feel it, sense it, trust it's presence
Have some patience. Let me be.
Do not waste another moment!
Give to God complete control
Of worries that concern you
And your heart and mind and soul.
Wake each day in joyful gladness
Knowing we're not far apart.
Look to Jesus for the answers ...
He will heal your broken heart.
But above all, please remember
There's no need for you to cry.
I'm right here! I've never left you!
Don't you know that love can't die?

- Contributed by J. Mattson

Celebrating A Life Well Lived

Arthur John Freeman, Jr.

August 2, 1930 – Kensal, ND

March 2, 2024 – Carrington, ND

VISITATION

Thursday, March 7, 2024

1:00PM - 7:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, Carrington, ND

ROSARY | VIGIL SERVICE

Thursday, March 7, 2024

Rosary ~ 6:45PM

Vigil Service ~ 7:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, Carrington, ND

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Friday, March 8, 2024

10:30AM

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Carrington, ND

OFFICIATING

Father Terry Dodge

LECTOR

Mary Sears

SPECIAL MUSIC

Marlene Boyer ~ Pianist

Sacred Heart Choir

PALLBEARERS

Art's Beloved Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

BURIAL

Carrington Cemetery

Carrington, ND

Arrangements by
Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND
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