



Darold Hitland

July 18, 1936 - January 22, 2011

Darold Hitland, 74, Bismarck, died January 22, 2011, at Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center, Bismarck. Services will be held at 1:00 pm Thursday, January 27, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Bismarck, with Rev. Craig Schweitzer officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Bismarck. Visitation will be held from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm Wednesday at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck, and will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Darold was born July 18, 1936, in Charlson, ND, the son of Bjarne and Gertrude Ellestad Hitland. He was raised and educated in Minot, ND, and graduated from Minot State College with a degree in education. Darold taught high school for 30 years in Alexander, ND, where he worked as a teacher, coach and administrator. He married Ida Aamodt on June 14, 1964, and they made their home in Alexander, ND. He retired in 1991 and he and his family moved to Watford City. In 2004, he and Ida moved to Bismarck to be near family. Darold enjoyed participating in and watching football, basketball, and baseball. He was active in all the churches that he belonged to during his life. Darold is survived by his wife, Ida, Bismarck; his children, Jeff Laura Hitland, Randolph, NJ, Michael Holly Hitland, Mobridge, SD, and Rhonda Joel Erickson, Bismarck; his grandchildren, Jacob and Matthew Hitland, Jalen Hitland, and Brianna Erickson; his siblings, Harriet Nygaard Bill Messner Jamestown, ND, and Arvine Judy Hitland, Lincoln City, OR. Darold was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Larry Nygaard. The family would like to thank Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center for all of their

wonderful care and support given to Darold and his family.

Tribute Wall

NP

“*Ida and all, sympathy coming your way along with special memories of our time in Alexander with the Hitland family and our times at the MSU ball games, too. Thank you for your friendship. Paul, Nancy, Paul C and Eric Pearson*

Nancy Pearson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MN

“*Loved ones may leave life as we know it but your memories and love will always be with you. Sympathy to all of the Hitland family.*

Mary Winden Njos - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“*Dear Ida, Jeff & Laura, Michael, & Rhonda, We are so sorry to hear of the passing of our dear friend, Darold. He was a wonderful man, teacher, coach, & mentor. He will be missed deeply. George will always remember and will be grateful for the two years he served in the Darold Hitland School of Coaching. George learned that the kids playing football were more important than just winning games. Our family's love and prayers are with you all. May God hold you in the palm of His hand. Love and sympathy, George and Sue Judd & family*

George & Sue Judd - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AS

“*We are deeply saddened to hear about Darold's passing. We pray for God's peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

Angela Skoglund Smith - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Ida and family I am sorry for you loss. I remember his daily walks in Watford and the friendly wave I would get while driving past. Prayers to you & your family.*

Dick and Jo Davis - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *Dear Ida and family, Mr Hitland was a wonderful teacher and a very good friend to my parents, Edwin and Claire Leer. I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Lenore Leer Romo - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss of your husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Hitland was a great teacher and I know he helped me alot in school. He will be missed by many!*

Judy Forthun Smith - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Ida and the family. Darold was the best coach and math teacher anyone could have had. I will always remember him for some of the life long lessons he taught me.*

Jim Taylor - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Ida, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very sad time.*

Mildred, Byron & Barb Bennigsdorf Helgeson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Dear Ida and family, Both Gary and I have many wonderful memories of Darold. Gary remembers him as a great coach and teacher at AHS. I remember him ushering at Trinity on Sunday mornings and always being so patient with people. We send our thoughts and prayers to all of you and thank God that we knew Coach Hitland. May God guide you gently during the coming days.

Gary and Vicki Ley - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Ida and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I pray that your many good memories with Darold will bring you comfort and peace in the days ahead.

Marcy Hilleren - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ Ida, Jeff, Rhonda, & Michael, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Kim Strickland Herz

Kim - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ To the Hitland family, our sincere sympathies in this time of loss. Darold was not only influential in Kims life as a student, but mine as well, as we taught those few years together. His love of family was very evident and you will always walk in his shoes. God bless you as you move forward. Sincerely , Greg and Kim DeLorme

Greg and Kim DeLorme - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Jeff, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Donna Peoples - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ My deepest sympathies to the Hitland family. I remember Darold in the stands at nearly every Watford City basketball game cheering on the team. He was a great person and I'm very sorry that he had to leave us. Love and prayers to you all.

Amy Heringer Jackson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ So sorry Jason and I can't be with all the family on Thursday. Many great memories of Uncle Darold - the one that stands out is the Christmas that Ida made me a peach pillow and I threatened to bring it with me to Darold's math class! ;o I don't think I will ever forget his laugh! : We love you all...

Amy Aamodt-Allenbrand - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ I am saddened by hearing the loss of Darold. During my senior senior season of basketball, there were many things I had no idea were happening until much later in my life. The help provided to my dad so he could see the basketball games is something neither I nor my dad could ever repay. People with the kind of generosity and kindness Darold had should be celebrated as a life well lived. Thank you Darold!

David Leom - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Ida and family, I am sorry to hear of Darold's passing away. I appreciated having him as a teacher and as a coach. You are all in my prayers.

Larry Lee - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ My thoughts are with you on the passing of your husband and father. I remember Darold from the time my mom taught in Alexander. Take care. Janna Schill The daughter of the late Elaine Goll

Janna Schill - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NG

“ Rhonda, Joel & Family, sorry to hear about your father. Please let us know if you need anything. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family. Bruce & Norma Geiger & Family

Norma Geiger - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ My condolences to Mr. Hitlands family. He was a great coach and teacher and will surely be missed by all he touched.

kirby strickland - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Dear Ida, Mike, Jeff, Rhonda and families, I read in the Bismarck paper about Darold's passing. Mine and Shelley's thoughts and prayers are with you as you celebrate Darold's life and grieve for his loss. I knew Darold well as a teacher, coach, administrator, and friend. He will be missed by all in the field of education and athletics. I am sure you all have fond memories of your lives with him as a strong and lasting part of it. Brian & Shelley Anderson & family.

Brian Anderson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ Ida, Jeff, Rhonda and Michael, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Lynn Johnson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ So very sorry to hear of Darold's passing. I don't know if I could have made it through the 1990-1991 basketball season if it were not for Darold and Ida. We shared many road trips to out of town games to watch Mike and David during that remarkable season.

Arne Leom - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ Ida and family, My deepest sympathy to all of you. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Ardis Afseth

Ardis Afseth - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Ida, Jeff, Michael, Rhonda, and family "In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."-- Abraham Lincoln "To live in hearts we leave behind, is not to die."-- Thomas Campbell Heartfelt condolences to the family in this time of mourning. In having been blessed to come under the influences of Darold, these two quotes sum him up for us in that he got his life out of the years and is living in the hearts of those that met him. Heaven has just become a better place. Shawn & Lori Sanford

The Sanford's - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ Ida, Jeff, Rhonda, Michael and families: I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Hitland's passing. May all the memories others share with you in the upcoming days help you to understand how many lives he touched through out his years on earth. Don't consider him gone but as your personal angel in heaven looking down on all of you just as proud as if he were physically there. Again I am thinking of u all. MEL

Melissa Rettig Viall - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ *Ida and family- We were so sorry to hear of your loss. We know you have many great memories and stories to share with each other to help with this difficult time.*

Simonsons - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM