



Joseph Jacob Hagens

April 14, 1917 - September 16, 2011

Joseph J. Hagens, 94, Steele, died September 16, 2011, at Medcenter One Care Center off Collins, Mandan. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 am Wednesday, September 21, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Steele, with Rev. Jerome Hunkler officiating. Burial will be in the Holy Cross Cemetery, Steele. Visitation will be held from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm Tuesday, September 20, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Steele, where an evening prayer service will begin at 7:00 pm. Joseph Jacob Hagens was born April 14, 1917, in Loyal, WI, the son of William and Henrietta Gerrits Hagens. He was raised in Loyal and educated at St. Balthasar Catholic School. Just before turning 18, he was hired on a trial basis by Mrs. Emila Jenni. She felt he was probably too young to handle the job, but agreed to give him a chance to see if he would work out. Joseph worked for her as a hired hand for more than nine years and felt that he received a solid agricultural education while employed there. He married Doris DeVore on November 28, 1944, at Marshfield, WI. They operated a dairy farm in Wisconsin until 1946, at which time they moved to North Dakota. They farmed near Steele until their retirement in 1978, when they built and moved into their home in Steele. Joseph was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, and he devoted time to the Republican Party. He was a 45-year member of the North Dakota Farm Bureau and served several times on its board. He enjoyed fishing, dancing and square dancing, and woodworking. Joseph was a devoted husband and father, and held precious his parenting

duty. He was dearly loved and will be deeply missed by his family and many good friends. Joseph is survived by his wife, Doris, Steele; four sons and daughters-in-law, Walter and Pat, Raymond and Ann, David and Diana, and Joseph and Cynthia; five daughters and sons-in-law, Janet Tauer, Jeannine and William Heller, Ramona and Dana Trom, Wanda and David Tauer, and Lorena and Kelly Davis; 32 grandchildren and many great grandchildren; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Lawrence and Mary Hagens, Robert and Gerry Hagens, Mary Ann Hagens and Ruth Hagens. He was preceded in death by his son, Leonard Hagens in 1976; his parents; brothers, Norbert, Edward, and Clarence Hagens; sister, Lorena Czechalinski; and son-in-law, Larry Tauer.

Tribute Wall

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“ While I did not have the privilege of meeting Mr. Hagens, I was always impressed by the exemplary behavior and scholastic performance of his children. This indicates that he was a wonderful father.

Diane Dizayee - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Dear Aunt Doris and family, I am very sorry to hear about Uncle Joe. I remember our family trips to North Dakota to visit. I especially remember going to pick up a bunch of little yellow chicks when Billy and I were just little kids. And of course the horseback riding with cousins and Aunt Doris's homemade rootbeer. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Lisa, MaryAnn & Bill & family Hagens

Lisa Hagens - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I never had the privilege to meet Joe, but I see his loving and kind ways through his amazing daughter Lorena and granddaughter Amanda. Joe has left a beautiful legacy through his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed and all that he gave will continue to live on in wonderful memories. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.

Vickie Nelson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Dear Doris and family. Calista and I spent many wonderful times with Doris and Joe at the farm and then in their home in Steele. After Calista's death I was included many times at family gatherings which meant a lot. For many months I spent almost every Tuesday evening at the Med Center Care Center in Mandan calling PoKeNo, and so saw, and was able to greet both of them. I will miss him. Because of the weather, I won't be able to attend the services, and for that I am sorry.

Bob Keim - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ So Sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers

Shirley Rohrich - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Joe will be missed by his wife, kids, grandchildren & great grandchildren. Also, by all of his friends and friends of his family. All who knew him will remember his wit, knowledge & his never ending love for his family. He always told Doris he loved her when he came to visit her at the Golden Manor in Steele and when he joined her in living there he always told her every night that he loved her. He will be missed by all. Rest in Peace Joe!

Eldean Flath - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM