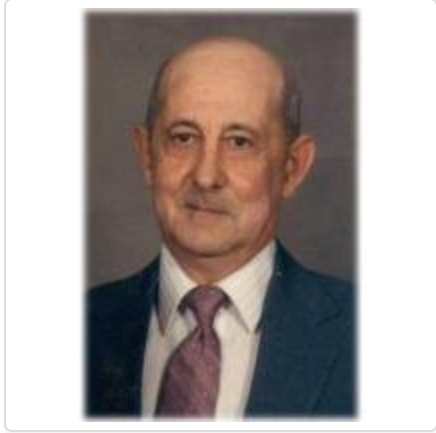




Richard Fetzer

March 1, 1938 - November 3, 2011

Richard Fetzer, 73, Steele, ND, died November 3, 2011, at the Medcenter One Mandan Living Center. Services will be held at 1:00 pm Monday, November 7, at Tuttle English Lutheran Church, Tuttle, ND, with Rev. Valerie Kinlan officiating. Burial will be in the Tuttle Cemetery following the service. Visitation will be held from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm Sunday, November 6, at the Eastgate Steele Memorial Chapel in Steele, ND, where prayer service will be held at 7:00 pm. Visitation will continue on Monday one hour prior to the service at the church. Richard was born on March 1, 1938, to Jacob and Christine Geist Fetzer. He was raised and attended school in Tuttle. Richard joined the Army on January 4, 1963, and served until October 31, 1967. During that time, he married Lorna Larson on September 25, 1965, also of Tuttle. They stayed and made their home there, where they were blessed with five daughters. After being honorably discharged from the regular Army, Richard signed up with the ND Army Reserve, serving until 1980. Richard had a number of jobs earlier in his career including local farm work, driving milk truck, and diesel mechanic for a dealer in Steele. He then went to work for Kidder County as a heavy equipment operator where he stayed until retirement in 1994. When not at work for the county, Richard enjoyed raising a garden and being in the outdoors. After his retirement, Richard developed an endearing hobby of collecting toys including a variety of cars, fire equipment, and miscellaneous items. He also enjoyed spending time with all of his friends at the Steele Senior Center every chance he could. Richard's true love over the years

though was spending time with his beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They were his pride and joy and he never grew tired of talking about them with friends and family wherever he went. He will be deeply missed by all of his family and friends. Richard is survived by his five daughters, Cindy Brad Heinz, Steele, ND; Claudette Darl Enzminger, Steele, ND; Candy Pat Thomas, Bismarck, ND; Crystal Todd Hirschhorn, Underwood, ND; and Carmen Shannon Wahl, Steele, ND; two brothers, Leonard Fetzer, Fargo, and Harold Anne Fetzer, Mandan; a half-sister, Freda Myers, Carrington, ND; along with 19 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Richard was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Melvin; half-brother, William Stanke; 15 other half-brothers and sisters; and a granddaughter, Amanda Heinz.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sympathy & condolences to Richards family. May all the great memories carry you through the difficult days ahead .. God Bless & keep you all!

Carla Weisenberger Voigt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ To all of Richard's family, Richard was one of my very favorite special people when I delivered meals on wheels. He had such a great mind I wish I had known him sooner. I will miss our breif visits on those days. My sincere sympathy to all of you

Jan Koester - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ One recent memory of your father was when my wife met him the first time. He sat a shared all kinds of family stories with her about all of his brothers and sisters and his grandchildren. After he left she told me that she enjoyed hearing all the stories and he was a very warm and caring man.

Lanny & Virginia Fetzer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts are with all of Richards family.

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

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“ *Richard always had time to visit if I saw him and had tremendous pride in his girls as he was always willing to tell you of them and the grandchildren which he was equally proud of. He will be missed by everyone who knew him but now he can hold his granddaughter in heaven on his lap and neither of them will have pain. Rest in Peace & know we will meet again!!!*

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