



Ruben E. Anderson

July 8, 1929 - January 29, 2015

Ruben E. Eldor Anderson, 85, Bismarck, passed away January 29, 2015, at Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center, surrounded by family. Funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 3rd, at the Church of Corpus Christi, with the Rev. Paul Becker officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Bismarck. Visitation will be held at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm Monday, February 2nd, with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Ruben was born July 8, 1929, in Bismarck, the son of Knute and Minnie Rosenberg Anderson. He graduated from Bismarck High School in 1948. Following graduation, he worked as a foreman for a local homebuilder, Haakon Tosterud. He served in Communications in the ND National Guard for nine years, where he met Orla Friesen of Munich, ND. They married on October 24, 1953, and together they raised 5 children. In 1961 he started Ruben Anderson Construction and built many homes in Bismarck until 1970. He served as President of the Bismarck-Mandan Home-Builders Association for many years. He later opened Ruben Anderson Camper Sales and earned Top Seller Award 3 years in a row for selling Tow-Low campers. He retired in 1992. After being widowed in 1990, he met and married Joyce Nagel on July 16, 1993. They enjoyed 21 years together. Ruben enjoyed many outdoor activities with his family, including camping, boating, hunting, fishing, and annual trips to Medora. The cabin he built for his family at Lake Isabel was his pride and joy, a legacy of love for generations to come. Ruben is survived by

his wife, Joyce; his five children, Marla Noel Laxdal, Bismarck; Wade Cindy Anderson, Bismarck and their children Jenna Steve Lannoye, Laura and Nathan Anderson; Sheryl Dane West, Box Elder, SD, and their children, Sarah Matt Lobos, and Kristin West; Amy Corey Neff, Underwood, and their children, Megan Jeremy Hofland, Rachel Eric Paul, Lisa, and Mariah Neff; and Carrie Gary Barbie, Bismarck, and their children, Preston and Adam Barbie; and three great-grandchildren, Jayden, Caysen, and Luke; his brother-in-law Harley Judy Friesen and their children, and several nieces and nephews. He is also survived by Joyce's children, Steve Karen Nagel, Mandan; Deb Rielly Lane, Colorado; Karen Al Nagel, Texas; Patrick Sandy Nagel, Bismarck; David Kelly Nagel, Bismarck; Mary Nagel, Bismarck; and Nancy Greg Herzenach, California, and their children and grandchildren. Ruben was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Orla; his sister and brother-in-law, Alma and Earl Carman; and his in-laws, Nick and Marie Friesen.

Tribute Wall

VP

“ So sorry to hear about Ruben. growing up in the "neighborhood" we all were like one big family. I remember many good times at the Anderson house. My prayers with all of you and may peace be with all of your family.

Vicki PetersonModin - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ So sorry to here about Sonny. MY prayers go out to the family.. I remember good time's we spent in Bismark.. Gail Tolliver Van Damme

gail Van Damme - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Years ago my dad and I used to go to the Amvets for lunch and we would see Ruben there. We'd usually sit with him and we really enjoyed listening to his stories and his sense of humor. I haven't seen Ruben in a few years but I think about him often when I drive by Wade's shop. Rest in Peace Ruben, you will be missed.!

Miles Mehlhoff - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Wade and family, Your dad was one in a million, back when I worked for him, then when my dad , Sarge did, He was a genuine nice guy, He will be missed. always ready with a joke or always ready to hear one.

Daniel Wintermeyer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Wade, We were so sorry to hear of your fathers passing. May he rest in peace.

Pam & Darius Gabriel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Wade and family, we would like to extent our heartfelt sympathy. We know in our heart Ruben is in a better place. Sorry we are not in ND at this time to attend the funeral.

Terry & Esther Focke - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Dear Joyce and Family, So sorry to hear about Uncle Ruben's passing. He was dearly loved by Harley and Judy Friesen and the kids. You and the Anderson family are in our thoughts and prayers. Harley and Judy Friesen, Ft. Mohave, AZ

Harley and Judy Friesen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Dearest Uncle Sonny, I was saddened to hear of your passing but now you're with your mom, dad, and sis again enjoying the love and laughter you all shared so richly. My thoughts and love are with those who remain behind and loved you here. May you rest peacefully.

Bobby Sue Burdette - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Joyce and Family, Our thoughts and prayers to you In the passing of our Uncle Ruben. Love, Deborah Carman, Normal, IL Donna Glader, Wellington, FL Bruce and Patty Carman, Bismarck, ND Jesse and LaDawn Carman, Bismarck, ND

Deborah Carman - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Dear Joyce and Family, Sorry to see of the passing of Rueben. We have the fondest memories of him and his dad building our first new home. It was always a joy to converse with him over building and his home on the Lake, May the peace of Jesus be with all of you always,

Joe and Sandy Nagel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM