



Gerald Wagner

January 13, 1930 - October 9, 2013

Age 83 of Roseville, MN. Passed away on October 9, 2013. Gerald was born January 13, 1930 in Fredonia, ND. He grew up on a North Dakota farm, was educated in rural ND elementary schools, graduated from Monango High School, received a BS from North Dakota State University, an MS from Colorado State University and a PhD from the University of Minnesota. He and Audrey Newcomb were married June 26, 1955 in Minnewaukan, ND. Gerald taught Vocational Agriculture in Maddock, ND from 1954-1970. The family moved to Roseville, MN in 1970. He worked for the U of M Extension Service from 1970 to 1998 and retired as Associate Professor Emeritus. He traveled extensively, conducted numerous dairy and beef tours in the US, led 17 agricultural tours to Australia, New Zealand and Fiji, and led 8 tours to Europe. Gerald supervised the FFA Children's Barnyard at the MN State Fair for many years. Gerald was a longtime member of Roseville Lutheran Church, a member of the Masonic Lodge since 1958, and a member of the Scottish Rite and Shrine for several years. He was Master of Evergreen Masonic Lodge, Minnewauken, ND 1967 and Master of Tusler Summit Lodge, Roseville MN 1985. He had a great love of sports, and especially loved the Gophers, holding season tickets until he was no longer physically able to attend. Survivors include his wife, Audrey; children, Jim (Sally), Mary Wagner (Dan Crouch), Kathy (Paul) Thiegis, and Ann (David) Wasson; 16 grandchildren; siblings, Neil (Lonnie), Jean (Jim) Key, Fred (Marcia) and Carol (Lee) DeForest. Preceded in death by siblings, Duane and little sister, Mary

Ann. Visitation 4-7PM Tuesday, October 15 with a Masonic Service at 7PM at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL, 515 Hwy 96 W. at Mackubin, Shoreview, MN (651.482.7606). Funeral service 12 Noon Wednesday, October 16 (visitation begins at 11AM) at ROSEVILLE LUTHERAN, 1215 Roselawn Avenue, Roseville, MN. Interment Roselawn Cemetery. Memorials preferred to the church or Shriner's Children's Hospital.

Tribute Wall

ED

“ *I like to party, not look articles up online. You made it happen.*

Edjuan - November 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ *Our sympathies to your family from ours. I always get a smile on my face when I think of all the conversations I have had with Cliff Simek (my husbands uncle) about times in the VoAg department in Maddock. The skills Jerry has given to so many people is amazing. Lots of fun memories running around your house when we were little. Take Care!*

Linda (Holje) Glynn - October 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I was so sorry to read of Gerald's death. I have so many great memories of his time at Maddock and BCATS. Also dorm parents....what a thankless job that must have been! My parents, Oscar and Gladys Gilbertson, had the highest regard for him and you as well, Audrey. What a positive impact he had on so many young lives. My sympathy to your family. Dorothy Gilbertson Stegman*

Dorothy Gilbertson Stegman - October 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Thinking of you during a very difficult time. You are in our prayers. Kay Carlsrud, Macklin, Teagan & Addison*

Kay Carlsrud - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ So sorry to hear of Gerald's passing. Lonnie and Neil - I know you know my connections with Gerald but for those who don't. I also worked at the University of Minnesota Extension office and the U of MN Vet School. I worked closely with Gerald many times on short courses and extension activities. He was a joy to work with and beside. In getting to know him I found out his connection with my home town (Ellendale) and also found out that my aunt Violet had taught both he and Neil in country school in ND - What a small world. There were many reunions of students and teacher - infact my aunt and uncle accompanied one of the extension tours to Australia. He will be greatly missed but he now joins my aunt and they can continue to remember days gone by.

Roberta Johnson - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GN

“ Hi Jim (and the rest of your family)

Karen and I are sorry to hear of the passing of your father. You spoke very fondly of him during our last visit.

I'm sure you'll all find strength and comfort in knowing that he has now moved onto a 'better place'.

Kind Regards

*Grant
(Sally's brother)*

Grant Nordick - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM