



Gerald "Gary" Wayne Farstveet

May 20, 1937 - December 7, 2022

Gary Farstveet, 85, a loyal and generous farmer of Beach, ND, died on December 7, 2022 at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux, Montana. A Funeral Service with Military Honors will be held at 2:00 MDT, with Visitation one hour prior, on Monday, December 12, 2022 at First Lutheran Church in Beach with Pastor Diane Melby officiating. Interment with Military Honors will take place at 2:00 PM CST Thursday, January 5, 2023 at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery in Mandan, North Dakota. Funeral Home of Beach has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Gary was born May 20, 1937 in Beach to Knute and Elsie (Geyer) Farstveet, a bouncing 13 lb. baby boy. He was one of ten siblings who grew up in a rowdy, loving family. He graduated from Beach High School in 1955.

In his twenty's, Gary helped his parents on the farm, served in the U.S. Army in Germany from 1961-63, and spent time in California working for Boeing. Shortly after he moved back to Beach and began farming, he married Margie Jablonski in 1967. They purchased the family farm in 1968 where they raised five children: Lea, Clint, Eric, Clay, and Dan.

Gary built a successful tri-state farming operation and served in community organizations, including the American Legion. His biggest pride was that the third and four generations of Farstveets are farming and building on his legacy. In his later years, he was never more excited than when he got a call to help move equipment.

Gary is survived by his wife, Margie; children, Lea, Clint, Eric (Jackie), Clay,

and Dan (Bobbie Sue); grandchildren, Hailee, Ty, Jhett, Dane, Blake, Faith, Gavin, Sawyer, Bentley, Zander and Maryn, and siblings, Rex, Sharon Dietz, and Craig.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Knute and Elsie; sisters, Eleanor Ward and Marge Mosser, and brothers, Alvin, Keith, Knute Jr., and Ellef.

And as Gary always said, "Stay happy!"

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Beach Food Pantry (55 1st St NE or PO Box 504).

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Livestreaming of services will be available on the Facebook page: First Lutheran Church @FirstLutheranBeach.

Cemetery Details

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery

1825 46th Street
Mandan, ND 58554

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC **12**. 2:00 PM (MT)

First Lutheran Church
225 2nd Ave SE
Beach, ND 58621

Interment with military honors

JAN **5**. 2:00 PM (CT)

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery
1825 46th Street
Mandan, ND 58554

Tribute Wall

JE

“ *My sympathy to you Margie, and your entire family.*

jeanne - December 29, 2022 at 06:19 AM

SL

“ *Susan Lawrence sent a virtual gift in memory of Gerald "Gary" Farstveet*



Susan Roberts Lawrence - December 25, 2022 at 12:00 PM

DN

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss Margie. Thinking of you & your family in the days ahead.*

Diane Nelson - December 13, 2022 at 05:53 PM

EE

“ *My sincerest condolences to the entire Farstveet family. I always enjoyed visits with Gary. He was a gentle giant of a man, ambitious, generous, hard-working, willing to take risks, serious when necessary, but always ready to inject humor into our conversations. These characteristics made all of us that knew him better people. Going to miss him dearly.*

Eric Ehlis - December 12, 2022 at 12:21 PM

JK

“ Justin Kiffin Kohanes lit a candle in memory of Gerald "Gary" Farstveet



Justin and Kiffin Kohanes - December 11, 2022 at 11:44 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald "Gary" Wayne Farstveet.



December 11, 2022 at 06:43 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gerald "Gary" Wayne Farstveet.



December 10, 2022 at 08:46 PM

MS

“ So very sorry for your family's loss! Sending condolences, love and hugs to each of you during this sad time. ❤️

Melissa (Honnold) Scheumann - December 09, 2022 at 07:43 PM

CD

“ *Sending love to Lea and the whole family. We are sorry for your loss and fondly remembering meeting and hanging out with your father at the Legion.* ”

Ceci & Jeff Dufour - December 09, 2022 at 01:53 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald "Gary" Wayne Farstveet.* ”



December 09, 2022 at 08:17 AM

ME

“ *Mark Dawn Egan lit a candle in memory of Gerald "Gary" Farstveet* ”



Mark and Dawn Egan - December 08, 2022 at 07:32 PM

ML

“ *My deepest sympathy goes out to all of the family may he Rest In Peace he was a great man* ”

maurice lardy - December 08, 2022 at 01:55 PM

KS

“ *This hurts my heart - I have so many many memories of Gary whether it was making sure he had enough onion in the tuna when it was my turn to make the meals for all of us during harvest season in SD, or just his general smile and humor, to gatherings with the Farstveet family for a football game or many other times to gather and celebrate. My deepest condolences to everyone in his family and anyone who was fortunate to spend time with him.*

Kirstin Simonson - December 08, 2022 at 01:23 PM

KD

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. So many great memories of our parents growing up. Sending hugs!*

Keely Dutke - December 08, 2022 at 10:24 AM

SL

“ *Sam Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Gerald "Gary" Farstveet*



Sam Lawrence - December 08, 2022 at 09:56 AM

TF

“ Gary was a great farmer, father, husband, brother, and uncle. As a nephew, I remember getting his ire up, and he would be ready to deliver harsh verbal discipline, but would catch himself, and instead retort with a witty and humorous lesson and example. My Dad, Ellef, looked up to his younger brother, Gary for many reasons. He often spoke about Gary's keen farming skills, and wise financial sense. They also shared liberal opinions. This brought the brothers close. After my dad passed 5 years ago, I was able to confide in Gary about some of the tough decisions I was having to make. Like the great father he was to his own kids, he gave me great advice. "You have to do what you feel is right." Love that guy!

Troy Ellef Farstveet - December 08, 2022 at 09:27 AM

KF

Uncle Gary always treated my Brother Troy & I as if we were one of his own. Too many Great thing to list & stories to tell of the enormous Heart he had. When ever Troy & I came to town Gary & Marge insisted on putting us up. A Truly Great man & a Wonderful Uncle. I Loved being able to Brag about my Farmer Uncle as he made us Proud!

Knute M Farstveet - December 08, 2022 at 02:18 PM

JH

“ Prayers go out for Gary's family at this time of their loss. He will be truly missed by our family. Tom will forever miss a pinochle partner and friend. We had some memorable conversations with him at the Wibaux Nursing Home in his last days. He was a very special man and friend to both of us. Prayers for Marj and all the family members. Tom and Jo Heckaman

Jo Heckaman - December 08, 2022 at 09:13 AM