



## Harold "Hal" Henry Lang

March 12, 1952 - February 18, 2020

Harold "Hal" Henry Lang, Jr., age 67, of Billings, Montana, passed away on February 18, 2020, at Mayo Clinic St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota. A Vigil service will be held at 7:00pm, Friday, February 28, 2020 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Beach, North Dakota. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday, February 29, 2020 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church with Father Dan Berg as Celebrant and Deacon Jim Wosepka as Concelebrant. Rite of Committal will follow at St. John's Catholic Cemetery in Beach.

Hal was born on March 12, 1952 to Harold and Mary Ethel (Gilman) Lang in Dickinson, North Dakota. He was educated in Beach, graduating with the class of 1970. Hal went on to graduate from North Dakota State University in Fargo with a degree in Agricultural Economics. Go Bison!

It was at NDSU that he met the love of his life, Diane Selby. They were married on November 30, 1974. Hal and Diane were blessed with four children, Angie, Renae, Tim, and Patrick.

After college graduation, Hal and Diane moved to Beach and began farming and continued to do so for twenty-five years. Farming was his true passion and he enjoyed his days on the farm and raising his family. Due to declining health, Hal retired from farming and relocated with his family to Billings, Montana, where he worked for Beco, Inc.

Hal was a 3rd Degree member of the Knights of Columbus and served on the Beach School Board as president for several years. He was also treasurer of

the Beach Civil Township for many years.

In Billings, Hal was able to take on new adventures, which included riding his 2001 Harley Davidson Road King with Diane. They took several trips to Yellowstone Park and many trips to Sturgis for the annual rally. He also enjoyed riding his motorcycle with his sons and did many poker runs and day trips with them over the years. Hal taught his children, and grandchildren, the values of hunting responsibly and was with his boys, Angie, and grandson, Jackson as they all shot their first deer.

Over the years, Hal would take his family on many camping and boating trips. He loved to be outdoors in the summertime and instilled this love in his children. He enjoyed taking the kids tubing on lakes and taught them how to waterski, but he did forget to tell them to let go of the rope the first time they fell. In later years, Hal enjoyed trips to Helena to see his girls camping independently and teaching their kids the same lessons he taught them. Hal enjoyed riding Angie's jet skis and watching Renae wake surf on the Missouri River system.

Hal retired in 2014. His new passions became his grandchildren and cooking. He was always ready to wrangle the "rugrats" and loved to watch Hayden and Harleigh, and looked forward to every time Jackson, Joelly and Nolan would arrive from Helena. He also made several trips to Helena to babysit for vacations and work trips the girls had plans for. Diane got to "retire" from cooking during these years, which she loved!

Hal lost his battle with radiation induced valvular heart failure, from his Hodgkin's treatment as a teenager. He was surrounded by loved ones who were able to pray with him until he passed. The family is ever grateful for the support they received from many at this time, especially from Rosemary Dahl, Nathan Dahl, and Kathy and Jack Maus. The family would also like to thank the entire staff that cared for Hal, and the family, at Mayo Clinic.

Hal is preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Mary Ethel Lang; his in-laws, Homer and Alice Selby; sister, Maria Ross; his brother, Neil Lang; his brothers-in-law, Jim Coats, Jim Selby, and Bill Schott.

Hal is survived by his loving wife of forty-five years, Diane, and his daughters, Angie Lang and Renae Lang; his son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Mandy Lang, and his son, Patrick Lang. He is also survived by his grandchildren whom he adored, Jackson Lang, Joelly Welnel, Hayden Lang, Nolan Johansen, and Harleigh Lang. Sisters include Beth Czywczynski, Kathy (Jack) Maus, and Rosemary (Jon) Dahl; his in-laws, Alice Faye Coats Schott, JeAnne Selby, Jerry (Linda) Selby, and Tom (Nancy) Selby; numerous nieces and nephews and many memorable friends.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at:  
[www.silhafuneralhomes.com](http://www.silhafuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. John the Baptist Catholic Cemetery

16883 35th St SW  
Beach, ND 58621  
(701) 872-4153

# Previous Events

## Vigil Service

FEB 28. 7:00 PM (MT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
162 2nd Avenue Northeast  
Beach, ND 58621

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 29. 11:00 AM (MT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
162 2nd Avenue Northeast  
Beach, ND 58621

# Tribute Wall



“ *Harold "Hal" Henry Lang*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold "Hal" Henry Lang.*



February 28, 2020 at 03:04 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Hal's death. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.*

**Jayne Hardy** - February 26, 2020 at 05:29 PM



“ *Prayers to the family I have a lot of good memories of Hal and I working together. Hal was a great man and family man.*

**Jay Leischner** - February 26, 2020 at 11:49 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold "Hal" Henry Lang.*



February 26, 2020 at 11:00 AM

JR

“ *Our sincere sympathies to all of Hal's family. John and Angie Ross*

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**John and Angie Ross** - February 26, 2020 at 07:53 AM

BA

“ *I Really Enjoyed His Trucking Storys He Was Telling Me About While in Red Lodge At My Sons Wedding. He Will Be Surely Missed By So Many But Not Forgotten. My Thoughts And Prayers Go Out To The Lang Family.*

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**Benjamin Anderson** - February 25, 2020 at 11:24 PM

MH

“ *So sorry for your loss. Hal certainly fought a courageous battle. Now he can rest in peace. He will be missed by all. Prayers and thought are with you all. Mary Kay Kane Hardtke (cousin)*

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**Mary Kay Hardtke** - February 25, 2020 at 10:39 PM

JH

“ *Prayers are with you Diane and family. May you be given God's strength at this difficult time. Cherish all of your memories. Tom and Jo Heckaman*

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**Jo Heckaman** - February 25, 2020 at 10:36 PM

ML

“ *To all of the Hal Lang family you have my deepest sympathy may he Rest In Peace*

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**Maurice Lardy** - February 25, 2020 at 04:34 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Harold "Hal" Henry Lang.*



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February 25, 2020 at 03:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold "Hal" Henry Lang.*



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February 25, 2020 at 03:04 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Remembering Hal and his love ones in prayer.*

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**Carol Obrigewitch** - February 25, 2020 at 01:53 PM