



Harry Benedict Begger

June 14, 1929 - June 20, 2022

Harry Benedict Begger, age 93, of Wibaux, Montana passed away on Monday, June 20, 2022 at Glendive Medical Center in Glendive, Montana. Harry was born on June 14, 1929, in Wibaux County Montana to John and Helen (Watembach) Begger. He attended grade school at the South Center School and graduated from Wibaux County High School in 1946. Harry helped his parents with farming and he also worked for his brother-in-law, Buster Finneman on his farm in 1944-45. He went south with Buster's combining crew in 1947.

Harry married Elaine Kahl, October 3, 1950. They had nine children, four boys and five girls, Robert, Cynthia, Linda, William, Susan, Laureen, Joyce, Andrew and Jerry. Harry and Elaine lived on a farm southwest of St. Philip until 1981, when they moved closer to Wibaux, still on a farm. In 1973, they began raising registered Simmental Cattle. In 1976, they incorporated with two sons, Robert and William.

Harry was a school board member and Wibaux Co-Op Elevator and Oil Co. Board member for several years. He was awarded the Soil Conservation Outstanding Conservation Farmer of the year both on the district and state level in 1959 and awarded a trip to Arizona. Harry has been a Knights of Columbus member since 1950, and served as the first Grand Knight of the Schilowski-Leahy Council and was instrumental in getting the council started. His family was chosen as the 1985 KC Family of the Year. He was an active member of St. Philip and St. Peter's Catholic Church for his entire life.

Harry's family and his relationship with the Lord was his whole life. He loved his wife, kids, grandkids and great-grandkids. His devotion to his wife was an example for all. He was the first one to give the grandchildren a sucker and play with them. Up to his last days, his face lit up when they entered the room. He taught them how to work and pray. He also told them how he scratched his way for a living, which is why he was missing part of his finger.

Harry is survived by his wife of seventy-one years, Elaine; his sons, Bill (Darlene) Begger, Andy (Gwen) Begger and Jerry (Dianna Murphy); his daughters, Cindy (Jim) Sletten, Linda (Wayne) Beddow, Susan Begger, Laureen (Lee) Murphree and Joyce (Frank) Hollowell; his daughter-in-law, Virginia Begger; twenty-nine grandchildren, fifty-eight great-grandchildren and sisters-in-law, Jan Champion, Anisa Begger and Dorothy Begger.

Harry was preceded in death by his son, Robert; his parents, John and Helen Begger; his brothers, Ed, Dominic, David, Louis, Leonard and Ralph; his sisters, Elizabeth Brungard, Florence Finneman, Edvegen Abraham, and Sally Bachmier; and two great-grandchildren, Tate Begger and Hallie Morasko.

Rosary will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Sunday, June 26, 2022 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Wibaux. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, June 27, 2022 at St. Peter's Catholic Church with Father Jose officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to St. Peter's Church—Harry Begger Memorial, P.O. Box 217, Wibaux, MT 59353. Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Wibaux Cemetery

Wibaux, MT 59353

Previous Events

Vigil Service

JUN 26. 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
313 1st Avenue SW
Wibaux, MT 59353

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 27. 2:00 PM (MT)

St. Peter'S Catholic Church
313 1st Avenue SW
Wibaux, MT 59353

Tribute Wall



“ *Harry Benedict Begger*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *With Sympathy for your loss of the man & his wonderful wife Elaine who during a bad snowstorm saved my life & and the life of my brother Dave 57 years ago.*

Cliff Quale - June 27, 2022 at 10:47 AM



“ *110 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Silha Funeral Home - June 26, 2022 at 05:32 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 26, 2022 at 09:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 25, 2022 at 06:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 25, 2022 at 11:51 AM



“ *My thoughts & prayers go out to Elaine & the Begger family. Harry will be missed by all who knew him.*
Diane Nelson

Diane Nelson - June 24, 2022 at 07:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 24, 2022 at 04:18 PM

BT

“ Brad and your BDH Finance Team purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.



Brad and your BDH Finance Team - June 24, 2022 at 12:43 PM

RM

“ Reach Higher Montana purchased the Sunny Memories for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.



Reach Higher Montana - June 24, 2022 at 09:57 AM

KF

“ Kenny and Janice Hickson and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.



Kenny and Janice Hickson and family - June 24, 2022 at 08:59 AM

SC

“ So sorry to hear of Harry's passing. Cherish the memories.

Sherry and Arvid Corneliusen - June 23, 2022 at 09:26 PM

GB

“ *Elaine and family,
Our heartfelt condolences go out to each and every one of you during this difficult time. Not only will I miss Harry but all of my family along with anyone that had the privilege to meet and get to know this man will. Harry always had the time to visit and he definitely had a story or two to tell. May you all find strength in prayer and please don't hesitate if there is anything we can do. Love you all.*

Greg and Noreen Berger

Greg Berger - June 23, 2022 at 09:03 PM

AR

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Angie (Nix) and John Ross

Angie (Nix) Ross - June 30, 2022 at 05:55 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 23, 2022 at 07:24 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 23, 2022 at 05:43 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harry Benedict Begger.*



June 23, 2022 at 05:19 PM



“ *Harry was so good to me when ever i seen him , my condolences to his wife elaine and bill and darlene as the most nicest folks ever , and also the rest of family , harry you are a good example of life , thank you for your friendship and rest in peace, you and bob are together again , my thoughts , prayers and concerns to your many family and friends ,jack osterhout los ang , ca*

Jack Osterhout - June 23, 2022 at 04:13 PM



“ *Sheryl Begger Cathey lit a candle in memory of Harry Benedict Begger*



Sheryl Begger Cathey - June 23, 2022 at 11:48 AM



“ *Sorry to hear that Harry has passed. He leaves a afterglow of many good memories. Heartfelt sympathy to all.*



Sandy Kramer and family

Sandy Kramer - June 23, 2022 at 10:27 AM

MB

“ Condolences --GOD Bless--Harry would always come and talk with me when at meetings and get together He will be missed.
Michael & Doris Berger

Michael J Berger - June 22, 2022 at 10:06 PM

ML

“ My sympathy goes out to all of the Begger family May he Rest In Peace

maurice Lardy - June 22, 2022 at 01:59 PM

GH

“ Our sympathy to all of his family. He was a good neighbor and fine example of a good Christian. May he Rest In Peace.

Gerri and Ron Hanson - June 22, 2022 at 09:20 AM

SL

“ Susan Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Harry Benedict Begger



Susan Lawrence - June 22, 2022 at 08:37 AM

CH

“ Carol Hanson lit a candle in memory of Harry Benedict Begger



carol hanson - June 21, 2022 at 09:56 PM

EF

“ *Erickson Family lit a candle in memory of Harry Benedict Begger* ”



Erickson Family - June 21, 2022 at 07:37 PM