Tannes Clifford Gedrose, "Cliff" passed away on Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at Essentia Health, Fargo, ND.

Cliff was born on April 20, 1931 in Fairville Township, Wells County, ND, to Tannes and Hanna (Gudmestad) Gedrose. He attended school at Fairville #4 rural schoolhouse. He lived on the family farm northeast of Cathay, ND, where he worked for various area farmers. He moved to Fargo and worked at a service station until he enlisted in the Air Force in 1953. He was stationed at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas. After his honorable discharge, he moved back to the family farm to help continue farming with his dad and his brother Elmer.

He met Marilyn Tweten Krueger and they married on July 26, 1959 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Carrington, ND. They made their home on a farm near Cathay, ND where they raised their five children until he retired in 1997. In 2001, they moved to New Rockford, ND.



Cliff drove school bus for the Cathay School and sporting events for many years. He most enjoyed spending time with his family. He also enjoyed horseback riding, water skiing (and even water skied at age 65), dancing where he and Marilyn won many dance competitions, bingo, playing cards and having coffee with his friends.

He was active in the National Farmers Organization and Central North Dakota Steam Threshers. He was a member of Stavanger Lutheran Church until it closed, the American Legion, Eagles Club, New Rockford Ambulance and First Lutheran Church. He had been on the board of the Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd and was currently serving on the board of Community Credit Union.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Marilyn, children: Pam Helm, Mandan, ND, Colin (Lynette) Detroit Lakes, MN, Janine (Greg) Anderson, New Rockford, Stephanie (Shane) Hodenfield, Ray, ND, Sara (Jobey) Lichtblau, West Fargo, ND. Ten grandchildren, Shannon (Ashley) Obe, Tanner Helm (fiancé Johanna Heck), Makenzie, Hanna and Austin Gedrose, Tyler Anderson, Trista (Josh) Langley, Keenan, Haley and Garrett Hodenfield. Three great-grandchildren, Kayden Obe, Gabriella Helm and Lincoln Langley.

He is also survived by his sisters, Elsie (Anker) Robertsen, Brooklyn, NY, and Doris Ann (Jerry) Wolsky, Carrington, ND, sisters-in-law Lillian Gedrose, New Rockford, Delores Gedrose, Aloha, Oregon, Claire (Chet) Birkeland, Billings, MT, Vonnie (Chuck) Fischer, West Fargo, ND, Debbie (Miles) Kruse, Carrington, ND, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Tumina Melhus, Camilla Gedrose, Helen Lilleheim, brothers Elmer, Oscar and Reuben, and brothers-in-law Wayne "Tuff" Partlow, Jack Lilleheim, and John Melhus.

## Celebrating the Life Of

Cliff Gedrose April 20, 1931 – November 1, 2016



## Final Harvest

He was bound to the land from the day of his birth His roots anchored deep in the fertile earth Nurtured, sustained, by the soil he grew And his life, like his furrows, ran straight and true.

In faith, each spring, he planted the seeds In hope, to reap his family's needs With patience, he waited for the harvest to come To gather the fruits of his labor home.

Ever turning seasons, the years sped past Till the final harvest came at last Then claimed anew by beloved sod He was gathered home to be with God.

- Barbara W. Weber



In Loving Memory Of Tannes Clifford Gedrose

April 20, 1931 – Fairville Twp, Wells Co., ND November 1, 2016 – Fargo, ND

PRAYER SERVICE Sunday, November 6, 2016 – 7:00PM First Lutheran Church, New Rockford, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE Monday, November 7, 2016 – 10:30AM First Lutheran Church, New Rockford, ND

> OFFICIATING Rev. Russ Christiansen

SPECIAL MUSIC Doreen Taylor, Organist Sara Lichtblau, Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS His Grandsons and Granddaughters Shannon and Ashley Obe, Tanner Helm, Makenzie, Hanna and Austin Gedrose, Tyler Anderson, Trista and Josh Langley, Keenan, Haley and Garrett Hodenfield

MILITARY HONORS Raymond B. Thorn American Legion Post #30 US Air Force Honors Team

BURIAL Prairie Home Cemetery – New Rockford, ND

Arrangements By Evans Funeral Home – New Rockford & Carrington, ND www.EvansFuneralHomeND.com