

Richard Weisenburger was born November 11, 1925 in Tuttle, ND, the son of Peter and Helena (Rath) Weisenburger.

In 1932 Richard's family moved to a farm near New Rockford, ND.

On August 28, 1949 Richard was united in marriage to Vonnie (Fleming) at the Evangelical United Brethren Church in New Rockford. They lived and farmed in Rosefield Township. Richard brought Rural Water to the area.

Richard worked at the Carrington Irrigation Station for many years in addition to farming his land. He served as President on the New Rockford School board for many years and also on the Credit Union Board. He was very active in the United Methodist Church holding many different church offices over the years. He was a very faithful and active member of the church until its recent closure, upon which time he attended the Congregational Church of New Rockford.

He was an avid hunter and loved fishing. In his later years he took to golfing, which he also enjoyed.

Richard went to be with the Lord on February 8, 2019 at the Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd in New Rockford, ND, at the age of 93.

He is survived by 6 children; Luann (Dennis) Rimmereid of New Rockford; Peter (Joy) Weisenburger of Clifton, Texas; Steve (Sharon) Weisenburger of New Rockford; Michael (Melanie Porter-Burke) Weisenburger of Laramie, Wyoming; Kenneth (Mary) Weisenburger of Mendota Heights, MN; Brenda (Wesley) Schumann of Dickinson, ND; 20 Grandchildren; 23 Great Grandchildren; and a sister, Agnes Stilwell, in California.



*Celebrating The Life Of*  
*Richard Weisenburger*  
*November 11, 1925 – February 8, 2019*



Richard was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Vonnie; three brothers, Bert, Albert and Ray; and five sisters, Lydia, Annie, Alvina, Emma, and Lorraine.



## ***A Farmer's Hands***

Hands that are large and tough from years of rugged outdoor work.

Hands with fingers sensitive to music, but too thick to strike just one key on a piano, or a single string on a violin.

Hands that are versatile, simultaneously wielding an ax and swiping a fistful of berries from a nearby bush.

Hands that clasp themselves habitually in prayer giving thanks for food, for rain, for sun, for late frosts, early springs, good yield, for soil, for health, for a newborn calf.

Hands that are strong, squeezing out a pail full of milk in just no time, pulling strands of barbed wire taut, carrying mountains of hay and oceans of water to hungry thirsty farm creatures.

Hands that are gentle, marveling out at the softness of a furry kitten, rescuing a killdeer's nest from the path of the plow, patting the shoulder of a disappointed child.

Hands that are inventive, twisting, pounding, pinching until a machine is fixed, shaping an idea into something useful.

Hands that are tired from over a half century of tilling, planting, weeding, harvesting.

Hands that we love - a farmer's hands.



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November 11, 1925 – Tuttle, ND  
February 8, 2019 – New Rockford, ND

## PRAYER SERVICE

Monday, February 11, 2019 – 7:00PM  
Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND

## FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 – 10:30AM  
First Lutheran Church, New Rockford, ND

## OFFICIATING

Pastor Mindy Meier

## EULOGY

Joshua Schumann

## MUSIC

JoAnne Leichtman ~ Pianist  
Deb Belquist ~ Vocalist

## Solos

*The Old Rugged Cross*  
*I'll Fly Away*

Congregational Hymns  
*"Amazing Grace"*  
*"How Great Thou Art"*

## HONORARY BEARERS

All of Richard's Grandchildren

## BURIAL

Prairie Home Cemetery, New Rockford, ND

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