

Ronald Alvin Kolden, age 78, of Carrington, ND, passed away Friday, October 11, 2019, in Carrington Health Center after a struggle with pneumonia.

He was born August 29, 1941, to Anton and Fern Kolden, in Minot, ND. He was in the Air Force from November 4, 1959 through October 1, 1963.

On June 23, 1967, he was united in marriage to Diane Downie in Makoti, ND. They then moved to Carrington in 1971. He worked for Anderson Sales, C & J Farm Equipment, Ron's Sooper Stop, and Central Steel.

He was very blessed with the gift of playing the accordion and piano by ear. He shared his gift by playing in nursing homes, small gathering, and anywhere he visited that had a piano or a heaping plate of lutefisk up for grabs. He enjoyed spending time with family, friends, his grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor, his kindness, and his beautiful gift of music he shared with many.

Ron is survived by his girlfriend, Janice; daughter, Kristin (Chris) Husler, West Fargo, ND; one granddaughter, Kelsey; one grandson, Justin; four great-grandchildren, Braxton, Auviana, Gracelynn, and Kennadie; two sisters, Sandra Rue, Plaza, ND, Lorraine Forsman, Ryder, ND; and many nieces and nephews.

Ron was preceded in death by his wife, Diane; parents; one son, Scott; one infant son, Michael; one brother, and two sisters.



## *Celebrating the Life of*



*Ronald "Ron" Kolden*

*August 29, 1941 - October 11, 2019*



**God Saw He Was Getting Tired**

*God saw he was getting tired  
And a cure was not to be  
So He put His arms around him  
And whispered, "Come to Me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched him suffer*

*And saw him fade away.  
Although we loved him dearly  
We could not make him stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating;  
Hard working hands put to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.*

In Loving Memory Of

*Ronald Alvin Kolden*

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**VISITATION**

Saturday, October 19, 2019 ~ 12:00PM-1:00PM  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Carrington

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

Saturday, October 19, 2019 ~ 1:00PM  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Carrington

**OFFICIATING**

Pastor Sarah Shanks

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Clara Edwardson ~ Organist  
*In The Palm Of Your Hand ~ Buck Owens*

**Congregational Hymns**

*On Eagles Wings ~ Amazing Grace*

**CASKET BEARERS**

Mike Balvitsch ~ Dennis Montgomery ~ Richard Nysted  
Wade Kolden ~ Russ Forsman ~ Justin Husler

**MILITARY HONORS**

U.S. Air Force Funeral Honors Team

**BURIAL**

Carrington Cemetery  
Carrington, ND

Arrangements by

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