

Roger Allen “Butch” Semmens, 69, of Carrington, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Thursday, February 13, 2020.

Roger was born to James and Clare (McCreary) Semmens on February 22, 1950, in Carrington, ND and graduated from Carrington High School in 1968.

He attended the North Dakota State School of Science in Wahpeton for one year where he majored in diesel mechanics. In 1969 Roger graduated from Bismarck Junior College Lineman’s School. He then worked at Tri-County Electric REC until 1989. In 1990 Roger began his career with Ottertail Power Company as lead lineman with the high voltage bucket truck. They were commonly known as the Hotline Crew.

On May 8, 1999, he married Susie Daugherty of Carrington and made his home in rural Carrington until the time of his death.

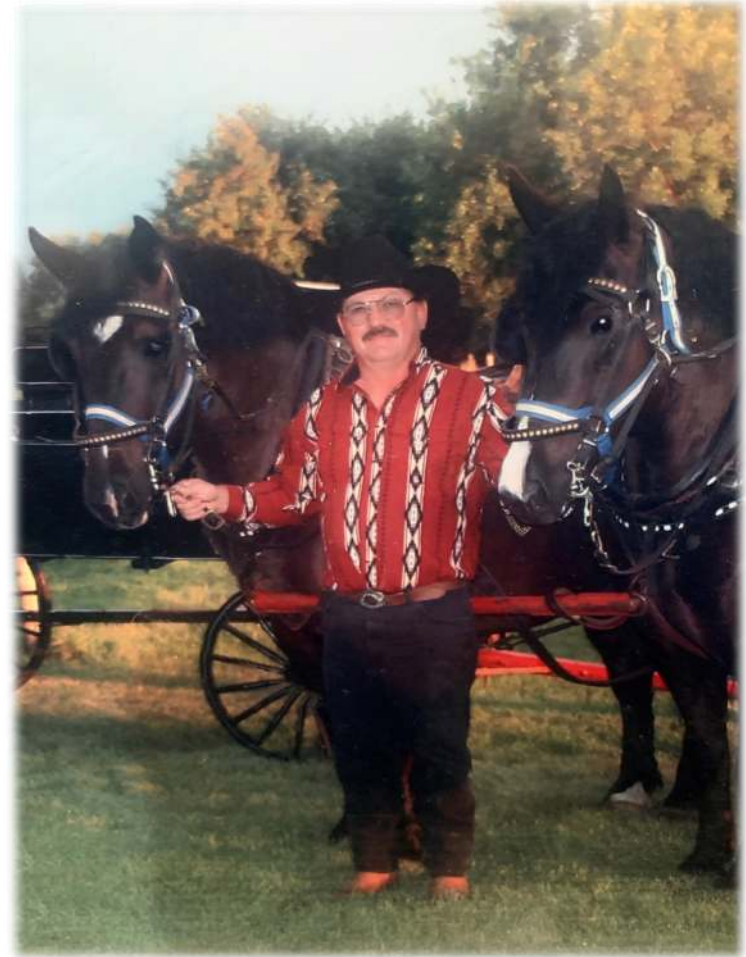
In his younger years, Roger enjoyed fast cars and drag racing. He was always telling jokes and teasing family and friends with a smile on his face.

Roger enjoyed time driving his team of Percheron Draft Horses (Bill and Sam) with the Circle Trail Riding Organization. He loved giving rides to anyone that wanted or needed him to, on covered wagons and winter sleigh rides. Roger could drive anything from wooden to rubber wheeled wagons that went behind his team of horses. After retiring, Roger enjoyed spending his time having coffee and conversation with his many friends and special friend, Roger Westby.

Roger is survived by his wife, Susie, Carrington; daughters, Ginger (Mike) Westfall, Columbus, NE, and Robin (Jeff) Carter, Blaine, MN; step-daughters, Mindy Daugherty, Carrington, Nicole (Russ) Shahin, Williston, Amber (Dusty) Horejsi, Pingree, and Karri Daugherty, Carrington, ND; 13 grandchildren, Colton, Cash, Cain, Cody, Isaiah, Sawyer, Shelby, Bradyn, Grayson, Maggie, Keith, Tommy and Kayson; one great-grandson, Mateo; siblings, Connie (Steve) Speldrich, Sykeston, Larry (Sue) Semmens, Jacksonville, FL, and Marck (Vicky) Semmens, Mesa, AZ; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Brian Semmens.

Celebrating the Life of



Roger “Butch” Semmens

February 22, 1950 - February 13, 2020



You Never Said Goodbye

*You never said I'm leaving
You never said goodbye.
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knew why.*

*A million times I needed you,
A million times I cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.*

*In life I loved you dearly,
In death I love you still.
In my heart you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill.*

*It broke my heart to lose you,
But you didn't go alone
For part of me went with you,
The day God took you home.*

Author Unknown

In Loving Memory of

Roger "Butch" Semmens

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PRAYER SERVICE

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 ~ 7:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, Carrington

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Thursday, February 20, 2020 ~ 10:30AM

St. John's Catholic Church, New Rockford

OFFICIATING

Fr. Reese Weber

MUSIC

Kerstin Allmaras ~ Pianist

Chris Becker, Justyne Klocke, Kindra Jacobson ~ Cantors

Congregational Hymns

On Eagle's Wings, Amazing Grace, You Are Mine, As The Deer

PALLBEARERS

James Speldrich ~ Roger Westby ~ Mike Westfall ~ Gaylin Borth

Jeff Carter ~ Russell Shahin ~ Dusty Horejsi ~ Mark Semmens

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Roger's Grandchildren &
Circle Trail Riders of New Rockford, ND

BURIAL

Carrington Cemetery, Carrington, ND

Arrangements by

Evans Funeral Home - Carrington & New Rockford, ND

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