

Keith Wright, 91, of New Rockford, ND, passed away on Saturday, December 18, 2021, at New Rockford, ND.

Keith LuVern Wright was born on October 18, 1930 to Dorothy (Topp) Wright and Lester Wright in rural Grace City, ND. He completed high school in Grace City. He was a dairy cow and grain farmer. Keith married Marjorie Gross on April 14, 1952 at St's. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Mc Henry, ND.



He was a member of the Grace City School Board, the Eagles and the St' John's Catholic Church. Keith was recognized for 15 years of service with the ASC.

Keith enjoyed playing cards, fishing including ice fishing on Juanita Lake with his good buddy Dean, bowling and baseball. He also enjoyed watching the Minnesota Vikings and Twins. Keith liked going to the Medora Musical with family, it was a yearly tradition for 17 years. He loved getting the grandkids ice cream on these trips. A couple special family memories for Keith were his and Marjorie's 50 wedding anniversary, taking grandkids to the All Star Lions games and camping at the Red Trails campground.



Keith is survived by his wife Marjorie, children, Gloria (Steve) Wipperling of Wishek, Carol (Mike) Sherman of Carrington, Marlene (Colin) Hoffart of Harvey and Kaye (Keith) Keierleber of Billings, MT, 16 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren, sister Margaret Stangeland of Carrington and son-in-law Buster Eckert of Jamestown.

He is preceded in death by his parents, daughter Donna Eckert, brother Dwight Wright, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

## *In Loving Memory*



# *Keith Wright*

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OCTOBER 18, 1930 – DECEMBER 18, 2021

# So God Made A Farmer

And on the 8th day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said, "I need a caretaker." So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody willing to get up before dawn, milk cows, work all day in the fields, milk cows again, eat supper and then go to town and stay past midnight at a meeting of the school board." So God made a farmer.

"I need somebody with arms strong enough to rustle a calf and yet gentle enough to deliver his own grandchild. Somebody to call hogs, tame cantankerous machinery, come home hungry, have to wait lunch until his wife's done feeding visiting ladies and tell the ladies to be sure and come back real soon -- and mean it." So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody willing to sit up all night with a newborn colt. And watch it die. Then dry his eyes and say, 'Maybe next year.' I need somebody who can shape an ax handle from a persimmon sprout, shoe a horse with a hunk of car tire, who can make harness out of haywire, feed sacks and shoe scraps. And who, planting time and harvest season, will finish his forty-hour week by Tuesday noon, then, pain'n from 'tractor back,' put in another seventy-two hours." So God made a farmer.

God had to have somebody willing to ride the ruts at double speed to get the hay in ahead of the rain clouds and yet stop in mid-field and race to help when he sees the first smoke from a neighbor's place. So God made a farmer.

God said, "I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bails, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink-combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a meadow lark. It had to be somebody who'd plow deep and straight and not cut corners. Somebody to seed, weed, feed, breed and rake and disc and plow and plant and tie the fleece and strain the milk and replenish the self-feeder and finish a hard week's work with a five-mile drive to church.

"Somebody who'd bale a family together with the soft strong bonds of sharing, who would laugh and then sigh, and then reply, with smiling eyes, when his son says he wants to spend his life 'doing what dad does.'" So God made a farmer.

~ Paul Harvey

Celebrating The Life Of

## *Keith LuVern Wright*

October 18, 1930 – rural Grace City, ND

December 18, 2021 – New Rockford, ND

### **VISITATION**

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

12:00PM - 4:30PM

Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND

### **MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Thursday, December 23, 2021

3:00PM

St. John's Catholic Church, New Rockford, ND

### **OFFICIATING**

Fr. Reese Weber

### **MUSIC**

Heather Klocke

### **PALLBEARERS**

Travis Wipperling ~ Jeremy Puhr ~ Michael Hoffart  
Tristan Johnson ~ Drew Keierleber ~ Darin Keierleber

### **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

All of Keith's Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren  
and Great Great-Grandchildren

### **BURIAL**

St. John's Catholic Cemetery, New Rockford, ND

Arrangements by

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