

Carter Kleinsasser, 82, of rural Carrington, passed away peacefully on December 14, 2025. Born on January 28, 1943, on the family farm in Chaseley to John C. and Anna P. (Wollman), Carter lived a life devoted to hard work, the land, his family, and being a loyal friend to many.

Life on the farm taught Carter never to be afraid of hard work. His work ethic served him well throughout his life. He would share stories about his early jobs off the farm, including stints building the interstate in Montana, custom combining in the South, and building the runway at Stapleton Airport in Denver. He joined the US Army in 1964 and served as a military police officer. He returned to the family farm after his father's passing and has been a farmer ever since.



In 1969, he married KathE (Porter), and in 1974, they bought the farmstead 13 miles southwest of Carrington, where they raised small grains, sunflowers, beef cattle, and their children, Sheri and Jimmy. Through the good times and bad, no rain and too much rain, and with a lot of luck and the grace of God, the farm persevered.

Carter taught his family how to work hard, stay humble, and take pride in what they do. He poured his heart into family and the farm, both of which are better because of him. He was a proud dad, supporting his kids in all they did and along the way becoming a loyal fan of the Carrington Cardinals, UND Fighting Sioux, and Minnesota Vikings.



Carter's grandchildren gave him his most prized title, Papa. Whether it was riding in the Gator, going fishing, gopher hunting, or watching every sporting event, play, or recital, his grandchildren always felt his love, pride, and support.

Beyond being a farmer, husband, father, and Papa, Carter was a great friend. He was a neighbor always willing to help someone in need. He had a quick wit and could strike up a conversation with anyone, making them feel like an old friend. Since retiring in 2011, he has been a regular attendee of coffee on Saturday mornings with his Hawksnest Township friends and on weekday afternoons in Carrington with his buddies, whom he affectionately called "The Table of Knowledge."

Carter is survived by his wife KathE of 56 years, children Sheri (Stuart) Stockmoe and Jimmy (Christa) Kleinsasser, grandchildren Seely and Shya Stockmoe, Carter and Cayden Kleinsasser, sisters Grace Nutz, Caryl Kleinsasser, brothers Allen Kleinsasser, Russel (Janice) Kleinsasser, brother-in-law Dennis (Kathy) Porter, as well as many loved nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother-in-law Don Nutz, and sister-in-law Anita Kleinsasser.

The service will be streamed on YouTube @calvarybaptistcarrington. In lieu of flowers and memorials, the family requests you donate to an organization you are passionate about.

Celebrating

THE LIFE OF



Carter Kleinsasser

JANUARY 28, 1943 – DECEMBER 14, 2025



A Hug From Heaven

Don't be sad - I'm here with Jesus.
Don't be sad and please don't cry.
I'm right here ... I've never left you ...
Don't you know that love can't die?
I am safe and warm and happy
As I've never been before,
Seeing Jesus face to face was more
Than I had bargained for.
As you speak, I'm right beside you.
As you walk, I'm by your side
Close your eyes and you'll see clearly
That my Spirit has not died.
Everyone's on earth for reasons
Man can't fully comprehend
But in heaven, I've seen clearly
Justice triumphs in the end.
Understand my love surrounds you
In a way you cannot see
Feel it, sense it, trust it's presence
Have some patience. Let me be.
Do not waste another moment!
Give to God complete control
Of worries that concern you
And your heart and mind and soul.
Wake each day in joyful gladness
Knowing we're not far apart.
Look to Jesus for the answers ...
He will heal your broken heart.
But above all, please remember
There's no need for you to cry.
I'm right here! I've never left you!
Don't you know that love can't die?

- Contributed by J. Mattson

In Loving Memory Of *Carter Jules Kleinsasser*

January 28, 1943 – Chaseley, ND
December 14, 2025 – Carrington, ND

VISITATION

Friday, December 19, 2025
1:00PM - 2:00PM
Calvary Baptist Church, Carrington, ND

FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, December 19, 2025
2:00PM
Calvary Baptist Church, Carrington, ND

OFFICIATING

Pastor Keith Hurlbut

SPECIAL MUSIC

Carol Collins ~ Pianist

Congregational Hymns

In the Garden

It Is Well With My Soul

How Great Thou Art

PALLBEARERS

Rob Kleinsasser ~ Ron Kleinsasser ~ Jeff Kleinsasser
Arnold Kleinsasser ~ Rial Stedman ~ Cole Porter

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Grandchildren

Seely Stockmoe ~ Carter Kleinsasser
Shya Stockmoe ~ Cayden Kleinsasser

The Table of Knowledge Members

Hawksnest Township Coffee Buddies
Carrington Afternoon Coffee Club

FELLOWSHIP

Calvary Baptist Church

Immediately Following the Funeral Service

Arrangements by
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