

Dale Watson

Dale Allen Watson was born on May 3, 1939 to Bruce and Birdie (Bill) Watson on the farm at Bathgate, North Dakota. He graduated from Cavalier High School in 1957, excelling in football and track. He also attended Mayville State College. After serving in the US Army at the Korean Demilitarized Zone, he came home to farm. He married Darlene Dietrich on June 16, 1961 at the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Cavalier.

He began an early interest in aviation in high school. He flew for pleasure, began crop dusting, and mastered the helicopter. Local flying was his favorite. Dale also loved playing music with family and friends.

His interest in horses began in childhood. Whether it was pleasure horses, work horses or Standardbreds, he loved them all. His interest in harness racing blossomed once he was introduced to it. Around 1977 he acquired Fair May and began an interest that lasted until harness racing was no longer a feature at county fair tracks. He still bred and trained them as long as he was able to do so.

He desired for everyone to hear and understand the saving grace of Jesus so he could see them again. Dale was a member of Cavalier Baptist Church.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents, sister Franny (Cliff) Haislip, in-laws Pete and Margaret Dietrich, Marilyn Watson, Wayne Lawrence and Ray Devitt. He is survived by his wife Darlene, sons Rob, Rick and Mike and daughter-in-law Lisa; grandchildren Miranda, Jake, Hannah, Regan, Isaac, Joshua, Jezimay, Levi and Elias; sisters Betsy Lawrence, Ann Devitt and Beverly (Dave) Guimont; brothers Cecil and Glenn; many dear nieces and nephews; and special friends Eric, Tracy and Jonas Kuhn.

He went to be with the Lord Jesus on June 7, 2021. Funeral Service will be held Monday June 21, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at the Cavalier Baptist Church, Cavalier, ND. Visitation will be held Sunday June 20, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the church.

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