

Farmers Creed

I believe a man's greatest possession is his dignity and that no calling bestows this more abundantly than farming.

I believe hard work and honest sweat are the building blocks of a person's character.

I believe that farming, despite its hardships and disappointments, is the most honest and honourable way a man can spend his days on this earth.

I believe farming nurtures the close family ties that make life rich in ways money can't buy.

I believe my children are learning values that will last a lifetime and can be learned in no other way.

I believe farming provides education for life and that no other occupation teaches so much about birth, growth and maturity in such a variety of ways.

I believe many of the best things in life are indeed free; the splendour of a sunrise, the rapture of wide-open spaces, the exhilarating sight of your land greening each spring.

I believe true happiness comes from watching your crops ripen in the field, your children growing tall in the sun, your whole family feeling the pride that springs from their shared experience.

I believe that by my toil I am giving more to the world than I am taking from it, an honour that does not come to all men.

I believe my life will be measured ultimately by what I have done for my fellow man, and by this standard I fear no judgment.

I believe when a man grows old and sums up his days, he should be able to stand tall and feel pride in the life he's lived.

I believe in farming because it makes all this possible.

In Loving Memory Of

GORDON EGELAND

May 12, 1941 - October 4, 2024





Mr. Gordon Egeland of Enchant, beloved husband of Mrs. Carol Egeland, passed away suddenly on Friday, October 4, 2024, at the age of 83 years.

Dad was born on the family farm in Circle Hill, Alberta on May 12, 1941. He graduated from high school in Vauxhall, then went to work for Art and Phyllis Howg on their family farm in Enchant. He was a hired hand but was treated and felt like a part of the family.

Dad met Carol Geremia at a dance in Retlaw, and they were married in the spring of 1969 in the Catholic Church in Vauxhall. Together they homesteaded on a section of land Northeast of Enchant and remained there until selling the farm in 2008. From there they built a new house in Enchant where they remained until his passing.

Besides working in the fields and looking after his cows, dad loved both playing and coaching hockey and baseball. He also loved to fish, and you could often find him on the ice of Lost Lake, banks of Stone Hill or any other spot the fish were jumping, playing cards with his family and close friends at the Circle Hill Hall, playing Poker at the shack, or shooting the moon with family. Dad spent hours touring Circle E, checking the cows and grass with his trademark white hard hat. He never missed a game of his beloved Toronto Blue Jays and Calgary Flames. Dad's favorite quote was "born to fish, forced to work".

Besides his loving wife Carol, Gordon is survived by 2 sons Tracy (Nicole) and his boys Trent and Tyler; Allan (Holly) and their boys Parker and Noah; and Gordon and Carol's only daughter Sandi. He is also survived by his siblings Taletta Dorchak, Maggie Egeland, Alma Osberg and Gladys Hagen; sisters-in-law Wendy Egeland, Donna (Jerry) Ellerman, Susan (Robert) Stauth and Diana Geremia.

He was predeceased by his parents Oscar and Anna Egeland; siblings Carl (Gloria), Olai (Suzy), Art (Kathy), Otto and Butch; brothers in law Orville Dorchak, Ray Osberg; parents in law Peter and Veronica "Minni" Geremia, and brother-in-law Gerald "Butch" Geremia.

FUNERAL SERVICE

11:00 am, Friday, October 11, 2024

Martin Brothers Riverview Chapel

Lethbridge, Alberta

Pastor Jeffery Frostad, *officiating*

Pallbearers

Dennis Brouwers Daryl Brouwers Dean Egeland

Ronald Egeland Robert Stauth Dustin Stauth

Pianist ~ Marian Howg

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Hymn ~ *How Great Thou Art*

Scripture Reading

Reading of the Banner ~ Norma Brouwers

Tribute ~ Sandi Egeland

Prayer & The Lords Prayer

Hymn ~ *Amazing Grace*

Meditation

Closing Hymn ~ *On Eagles Wings*

Announcements

Benediction

*Please join the family for a time of fellowship and refreshments at the
Martin Brothers Reception Centre following the Service.*

Interment will be held at 2:00 pm at the Enchant Cemetery.