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*My Dad, my friend and guiding light,
A gift from God and in His sight.
You taught me by examples set,
With wisdom which was heaven sent.*

*Never judging, always fair,
Ever present, always there.
This sturdy rock and gentle soul,
A kinder man I'll never know...*

*Throughout the past and years we had,
I was so proud to call you "Dad."
In bursting pride you never knew,
Just how much love I had for you.*

*While God has willed that we must part,
We'll stay connected, heart to heart.
For He has smiled and said, "My Son,
Welcome home, a job well done."*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Donald R. Forster

WHO WAS BORN
November 7, 1930
Salem, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME
January 30, 2018
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE
Saturday, February 3, 2018 - 2:00 p.m.
Living Word Lutheran Church
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT
Rev. Kent Groethe

MUSICIANS
Vicki Strege, Organist
Jon Forster and Maddee Render, Vocalists

CASKET BEARERS
Keith Forster Nick Wentworth Nate Wentworth
Dustin Wentworth Kevin Forster Jon Forster

HONORARY BEARERS
Lenny Haliburton Jim Christensen
Gordon Johnson Jerry Poppen Les Bloem

MILITARY HONORS
American Legion Birch-Miller Post #9
V.F.W. Grant County Post #3486
V.V.A. Northeast SD Chapter #1054
D.A.V. Chapter #19

INTERMENT
Milbank City Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION
Dick's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply
appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family
for lunch and fellowship in the church dining room.

ARRANGEMENTS BY
Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

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onald "Dick" Richard Forster was born on November 7, 1930, on the family farm in McCook County, near Salem, SD. He was the son of Bernard H. and Bessie A. (Williams) Forster. Dick attended country school near Salem, junior high school in Bell, CA, and graduated high school in Salem, SD, in 1948. In 1949, Dick enlisted with the U.S. Navy. He served from 1949-1950, and then was recalled in 1952 during the Korean War. He served on the U.S.S. Boxer-CV21 and the U.S.S. Hamul-AD20. He was honorably discharged in 1954.

In 1958, he earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Industrial Arts and Radio-TV at Southern State Teacher's College in Springfield, SD. Dick was united in marriage with Carol J. Harmsen on August 18, 1957, at Rock Rapids, IA. Together they were blessed with 60 years of marriage and four children: Terry, Tammy, Dan and Doug. In 1959, he earned a Master's Degree in Industrial Arts at Colorado State College in Greeley, CO. Dick taught a vocational Radio/TV class for one year at Rapid City High School. He then began working for International Business Machines as a Customer Engineer in July 1960, in Sioux Falls, SD. Dick and Carol moved to Milbank, SD, in June 1962, and he retired from IBM in 1986.

Dick's pride and joy was restoring his 1925 Model T Ford Pickup and 1930 Model A Ford Sedan. He shared his love of vehicle restoration with his sons. He enjoyed taking family trips in the Model A and outings in the Model T with his wife, Carol. Dick's family will remember his thrifty, but generous spirit in all aspects of life. He enjoyed gardening, cutting and chopping wood, and hunting. He was proud of his family and loved his children and grandchildren. His fondest memories included walking barefoot in a fresh plow furrow behind his father and the horse drawn plow, and eating homemade ice cream. Dick was a member of Living Word Lutheran Church, Lake Region Car Club, and the American Legion.

Dick is survived by his wife, Carol Forster of Milbank, SD; children: Terry Forster of Milbank, SD; Tammy (Steven) Graser of Pinewood, MN; Dan (Marcia) of Howell, MI; and Doug Forster of Twin Brooks, SD; grandchildren: Nicholas, Nate and Dustin Wentworth; and Kristen, Kevin and Jonathan Forster; great-grandchildren: Alexa, Westin, Kendall and Laiken Wentworth; and brother, Jerald (Kate) Forster of Seattle, WA. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Billy Forster.



*A Father's steady hand
prepares us for
the world...
He endures
forever in
our hearts.*