

I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God has laid you see. I took his hand when I heard His call. I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found the peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts, and to thee God wanted me now, He set me free. IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Allen J. Radtke

WHO WAS BORN April 6, 1934 Grant County, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME April 2, 2018 Fargo, North Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE Saturday, April 14, 2018 - 10:30 A.M. Central United Methodist Church Milbank, South Dakota

> OFFICIANT Rev. Dr. DeVern Schwenn

MUSICIAN Sheila Miller, Organist

CASKET BEARERS Lynn Foss Mark Foss Karen (Foss) Bradford Glenn Kvidera Steven Kvidera Doug Kvidera Celeste (Kvidera) Butter Dan Butter

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

APPRECIATION

Allen'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 Ilen James Radtke was born on April 6, 1934, on the family farm in Grant Center Township, Grant County, SD. He was the son of Albert R. Sr. and Minnie S. (Zick) Radtke. Allen attended grade school at Grant Center #3 Country School and graduated from the eighth grade. He served in the military as part of "The Old Guard", Company A-3rd Infantry division.

Allen was united in marriage with Mary Lou Foss on September 20, 1968. Allen farmed in Grant County for many years. He was a member of Central United Methodist Church. He loved his family and was very proud of his grandchildren. Mary Lou died on September 29, 1996, after a long battle with diabetes.

Allen is survived by his son and daughter-in-law: James and Lisa Radtke and their three children: Connor, Ethan, and Ashlee Radtke; sisters-in-law: Carolyn (Richard) Kvidera of Ortonville, MN; and Judy Radtke of Milbank, SD; brother-in-law, Dale (Jeanne) Foss of Aberdeen, SD; as well as nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Allen was preceded in death by parents, Albert and Minnie; wife, Mary Lou; four sisters and three brothers-in -law: Marcella Radtke, Lola and George Malone, Dorothy and Stuart McFarland; Eleanor and Jerome Steen; three brothers and one sister-in-law: Arthur Radtke, Willmar Radtke, Albert L. and Irene Radtke; his father-in-law and mother-in-law: Alvin and Ione Foss.

