



### ***The Day God Called You Home***

*We little knew that morning  
God was going to call your name.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,  
You did not go alone,  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.*

*You left us with beautiful memories,  
Your love is still our guide  
And though we cannot see you,  
You are always by our side.*

*Our family chain is broken  
And nothing seems the same, but  
As God calls us one by one  
The chain will link again.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

*Russell Eugene Huizenga*

WHO WAS BORN  
November 12, 1950  
Ortonville, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME  
September 6, 2019  
Ortonville, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE  
Wednesday, September 11, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.  
Abiding Faith Free Lutheran Church  
Ortonville, Minnesota

OFFICIANT  
Reverend Richard Larson

MUSICIAN  
Traci Conroy, Organist

CASKET BEARERS  
Scott Huizenga      David Homrighausen  
Michael Berger      Brad Sellin  
Terry Scherer      Mike Maas

HONORARY BEARERS  
Superior Industries of Morris, Minnesota

INTERMENT  
Eidskog Cemetery  
Big Stone County, Minnesota

APPRECIATION  
Russell'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 and Larson Funeral Home  
Ortonville, Minnesota



Russell has born on November 12, 1950, to Luane and Glen Huizenga in Ortonville, MN. He was raised at the Huizenga family farm three miles east of Ortonville, and attended grade school and high school in Ortonville. While in school, he excelled in all subject areas and was very proud of graduating at the top of his class. He was involved in football, wrestling, 4-H, and FFA. He participated in county fairs and even the Minnesota State Fair. While showing his sheep at the Big Stone County Fair, he would always stay in Clinton, MN, with his maternal grandparents: Colonel and Lou Adolphson. He cherished all the time he spent with all of his grandparents. He even moved in with his paternal grandma, Lena Huizenga, at the Long Tom Farm after his grandpa, John, passed away in December of 1967. He continued living with his grandma, Lena, until he was married to Doriennne Weeding on October 14, 1972, at Eidskog Lutheran Church. While in high school, he helped Grandpa John run his farm, he worked for Ross Gravel, and he helped his dad, Glen, operate a gravel business. After high school, he took over the Huizenga farm raising hogs and cattle and planting corn, oats, wheat, and alfalfa. He sold gravel out of the Huizenga pit for many years to several different contractors. In 1992, he decided to quit grain farming and sell some of the farm equipment, but continued to raise beef cattle. He then went to work in Ortonville for Berger's Welding as a Welder. In 2003, he made the big decision to go to work for a larger company for the first time in his life at Superior Industries in Morris, MN. He started working in the assembly line, building conveyors and most recently specialized in parts weld. He had great respect for this company and was proud to work for them. He LOVED to tell his family and friends about his day and the projects he was working on. He took great pride in his accomplishments and often looked for Superior conveyors while on road trips with Doriennne. He continued to raise cattle with his son, Brett, until the present day. He enjoyed any time spent out on his farm making it better and also took interest in Brett's passion of restoring old tractors and attending sales. He recently purchased an old excavator and dozer to further make improvements on the farm.

When he wasn't working on the farm or in Morris, he could be found at the church where he spent many hours listening to recorded tapes of church services that he recorded each week, preparing for his morning Bible study class, or fixing everything and anything that needed to be fixed. He was known to all of his family, immediate and extended, as the man who could fix anything. He would drop whatever he was doing to help anyone out, and even though it may have taken longer than some, it was done with perfection and expertise.

While he wasn't always one to follow his kids and grandkids to their many, many activities and events, (that's where Doriennne comes in), he was the first one everyone called whenever they needed something because they knew he would ALWAYS be there. He was so very proud of his kids, grandkids, and all of their accomplishments. Russ was a humble man, a faithful man, and a respected man. His memory will be forever cherished.

Russ is survived by his wife, Doriennne of 46 years; daughters: Krista (Artie) Arndt; Kylene (Josh) Nelson; and son, Brett (Sara) Huizenga; all of Ortonville, MN; grandchildren: Dylan, Tanner, Joseph, and Cassandra Arndt, Olivia, Alayna, and Ayden Nelson; and Gracyn Huizenga; his mother, Luane Huizenga of Ortonville, MN; siblings: Janine (Orville) Folk of Milbank, SD; Scott (Lou) Huizenga of Ortonville, MN; Paula (Todd) Koch of Milbank, SD; and Angela Bloss of Ortonville, MN; mother-in-law, Arlyce Weeding of Ortonville, MN; and sisters-in-law: Jerolyn (David) Homrighausen; Laura (Michael) Berger; Ronda (Brad) Sellin; and Denise (Terry) Scherer; all of Ortonville, MN; uncles: Stanley Adolphson of Ortonville, MN; Fred (Bernita) Adolphson of Rockford, IL; and Kenneth (Donna) Adolphson of Willmar, MN; and many nieces and nephews.

Russ was preceded in death by his father, Glen Huizenga; brother, Steven Huizenga; aunt, Norma "Sis" Connelly; uncle, Everett "Bud" Adolphson; paternal grandparents: John and Lena Huizenga; maternal grandparents: Colonel and Lou Adolphson; and father-in-law, Gaylord Weeding.

