



LAWRENCE (SHORTY) BAUER

May 18, 1933 - November 24, 2013

Lawrence (Shorty) Bauer 80 of Caledonia MN passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Sunday, Nov. 24, 2013. at Caledonia Care.

Shorty was born in Caledonia, MN on May 18, 1933 to Gerhard and Helen (Reining) Bauer. He was the 6th child of 12 children.

On Nov. 14, 1955 he married the love of his life, Leota Mae Lee at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Caledonia, Mn Among his interests and activities, Shorty played softball, was a boxer in the Golden Gloves Boxing Association; he loved to hunt and fish; card playing, reading; dancing and singing songs around the piano with friends and family.

They raised a family working various farms in the Houston County area until they purchased a farm in Blackhammer Mn, where they farmed from 1968 until 1997.

His passions and interests were conservation and land stewardship along with family activities in 4H

He was on the board of the Root River Soil and water Conservation for 11 years as well as Wildlife management programs.

After he retired from farming, he and Leota purchased a home in Caledonia.

He made a living while driving semi truck which kept him involved in the farming community for several years.

He was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic church in Caledonia MN

throughout his life.

In addition to his wife Leota he is survived by 6 children; Chris Bauer, Paul (Julie) Bauer, Tod (Sara) Bauer, Glen (Lynda) Bauer, Peggy Bauer, Patti (Todd) Olerud.

Since he did survive his angelic children, he and Leota were blessed with 9 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren with another on the way. He is also survived by his sisters and brothers, Sr. Vinciana Bauer, Bernice Lange, Vina Lange, Rita (Lee) Svehaug, Gordy (Wanda) Bauer, John (Judy) Bauer, Mary Mullen, Millie (Art) Roback, and Helen (Dave) Augedahl. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Lori Bauer, his parents, a sister, Teresa Heberlein and brother, Vince Bauer. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. Saturday, November 30th, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia. Father Matt Fasnacht will officiate and burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Caledonia. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 pm, Friday at Holy Family Hall, next to the church, with a prayer service at 7:30 pm. Viewing will also be from 9:30 to 10:30 am Saturday at the hall. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred. McCormick Funeral Home, Caledonia is assisting the family with arrangements.

The family would like to thank the staff of Caledonia Care for their loving care and compassion.