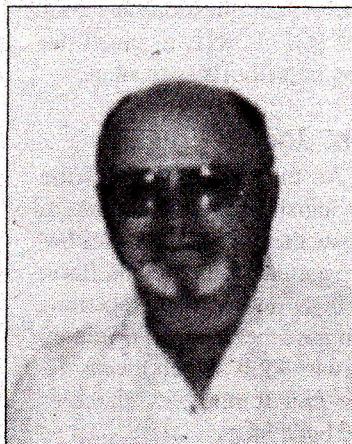


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Roger Olsen



Roger Olsen, 66, of Irene, SD died unexpectedly, of an apparent heart attack while operating the township snowplow near Irene Saturday, February 7, 2004.

Roger was born July 28th, 1937 to Rueben and Helen (Andersen) Olsen in rural Irene. He was baptized in the Turkey Valley Baptist Church and attended county school in rural Irene.

He entered into the army in 1955 and served 2-1/2 years in Germany.

He married Geraldine Christensen on March 7th, 1959 at Meldal Lutheran Church, rural Viborg. The couple farmed together for 42 years, north of Irene. He also enjoyed doing catering jobs with Geraldine for ten years.

For the last ten years he operated the motor grade part time for the Daneville Township. Roger was a member of the Irene American Legion, VFW and the Turkey Valley Baptist Church.

He loved his family, visiting with friends, fishing and raising cattle.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Geraldine of Irene, four daughters; Teri (Dale) Ducheneaux of Canton, SD, Penny (Mark) Dickes of Randolph, NE, Becky (Mike) Nutley of Irene and Heidi (Barry) Jennings of Pierre, SD, also nine grandchildren, father-in-law Nels Christensen, of Irene and brother Richard of Viborg.

He was preceeded in death by his parents, infant brother, grandson, and mother-in-law.

Funeral services were held on February 11, 2004 at Calvary Luther Church in Irene. Burial was at Hillcrest Cemetery with military graveside rites by Hall Thompson Post #193 of Irene.
