

ANDERSEN, LOWELL

June 7, 1940

Near Hurley, SD

July 23, 2022

Family farm east of Hurley near Vermillion River.

The New Era – August 4, 2022

Lowell Andersen

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Hurley, SD
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I was born near Hurley, SD on June 7, 1940 to Ejner & Ethelyn (Betty) Andersen. A few years later, brothers Darwin (Chuck) and Richard (Dick) would join our humble family.

I attended Hurley school, taking part in many sports, and graduated in 1958. After high school I joined the Army and became a paratrooper. That's right, I jumped out of perfectly good airplanes as a member of the 82nd Airborne.

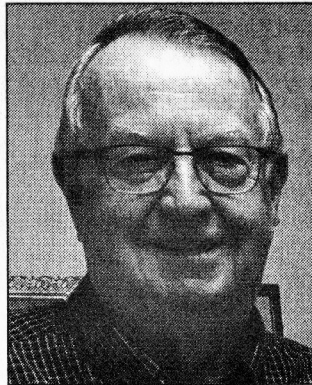
After the Army I returned to the Hurley area to farm and marry the beautiful Kathleen (Kitty/Kit) Andersen in 1967.

God needed a farmer so together, Kit & I bought my family's farm east of town near the Vermillion River where I milked cows, raised sheep and tended to the soil with corn, beans, alfalfa and trees.

We also raised 3 wonderful daughters. Wendy (Elden) Rand, Cindy (Darren) Matthes and Darcy Andersen. They blessed us with 4 fantastic granddaughters. Maren, Kate, Maddie and Sophia.

Along with farming, being a dad and grandpa, I also served on the school board, served as lay leader of the Hurley United Methodist Church and the Vermillion Water board, just to name a few & I had the high honor of being a pie judge at the Turner Co. Fair.

I worked as a certified crop inspector for Pioneer Hi-Bred and the state. When I drove



school bus for the Lennox School District I became Lowell & not just Mrs. Andersen's husband to the students.

God blessed me with many joys through the years, a strong wife to lean on and the strength to care for her when Parkinson's came into our lives. After my wedding, the birth of our children & grandchildren, the best day of my life was the day the farm was paid for; achieving a lifelong dream.

God made a genuine farm-

er.

Lowell was preceded in death by his wonderful wife Kit, just a few weeks prior to him, as well as his parents & parent in-laws, many cousins and cherished friends.

He is survived by daughters Wendy (Elden) Rand, Cindy (Darren) Matthes, Darcy Andersen. Cherished Granddaughters Maren, Kate, Maddie, & Sophia. Brothers Chuck (Linda) Andersen, Dick (Marlys) Andersen, Brother-in-law Jim (Marilyn) Bondesen as well as nieces, nephews, great nieces/nephews & a variety of friends and family.

Lowell lost his life at the farm he loved so much as the result of a tractor accident on Saturday, July 23, 2022. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday July 31st at the Hurley United Methodist Church, with burial with military rites at the Hurley Cemetery. Arrangements by Hofmeister Jones Funeral Home.

The family invites you to wear John Deere green and jeans to the service, or whatever you prefer.

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