

ALTON, Ernest Eugene "Ernie"

February 11, 1935

Wagner, SD

August 24, 2020

Viborg, SD

Viborg Enterprise

September 3, 2020

Ernest E. Alton

Ernest Eugene Alton was born on February 11, 1935 in Wagner, SD to Roy (Vernon Le-Roy) and Esther Lillian (Wentland) Alton. Ernie died at the Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg, SD on Monday, August 24, 2020 reaching the age of 85 after 3 years of receiving care.

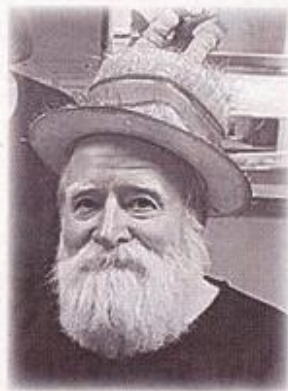
He began his career as a carpenter working with his father in Wagner, SD, and later became the Manager of the Wagner Lumber Yard. In 1969 he became the Manager of Farmers Lumber in Viborg, SD until his retirement in 1998.

Ernie loved gardening, taking pride in providing the family with fresh flowers and produce. He was a member of the Good Shepherd Catholic Church for 50 years, and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was very active as an adult sponsor with the youth group and taught catechism.

He was a good Father who always took care of his children and did the best he could to teach and guide them, a loving Grandfather and Great Grandfather to many.

He is preceded in death by his parents, sister, Margaret Ackerman, nephews Randy (George) Ackerman and Trevor Alton.

Ernie is survived by loving wife, Thelma, son Aaron (Janae) Alton of Fargo, ND, Daughters Angela Schumacher of Sioux Falls, SD, Lori (Kevin) Huber of Irene, SD and Brenda (Jon) Huber of Piedmont, SD. 12 Grandchildren, 15 Great Grandchildren, brother Kevin (Judy)



Alton of Lemon, SD and nieces and nephews.

Funeral Mass was held on Friday, August 28, 2020 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Centerville. Interment, Riverview Cemetery, Rural Centerville.