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Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Tioga
has been entrusted with arrangements

IN LOVING
Memory
Earl Wendell Swenson

Born to Oscar & Cecilia Swenson
October 7, 1929 ~ Sauk Valley Township, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father
April 7, 2017 ~ Tioga, North Dakota

Funeral Service
11 o'clock, Tuesday, April 11, 2017
First Lutheran Church ~ Tioga, North Dakota

Officiating
Pastor Sandy Anderson

Music
Doneen Larson ~ Accompanist
Matt Wallin ~ Vocalist & Guitarist
Brenda Kutter ~ Soloist

Pallbearers
Danett & Jason Rice Ryan & Tara Syverson
Jeremy & Tara Wallin Lyndsay & Jon Wild
Erin & Mike Einarson Matt & Candyce Wallin
Jace & Kayla Lalim Tyler & Meghan Lalim
Desi Hodges

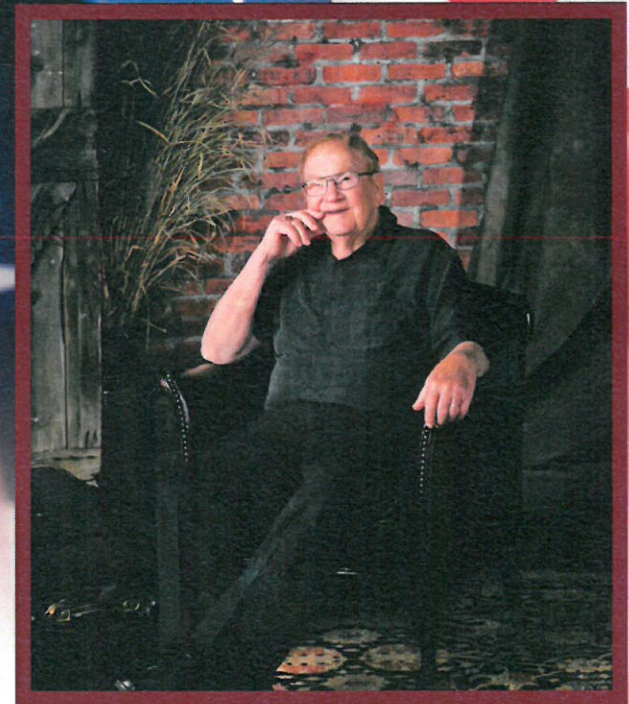
Honorary Pallbearers
Tioga American Legion Post #139
All of the athletes that Earl supported over the years

Military Rites
American Legion Post #139 - Tioga, North Dakota
North Dakota Marine Veterans Honor Guard

Final Resting Place
United Cemetery ~ Tioga, North Dakota

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MARINES



In Loving Memory Of

Earl Wendell Swenson
October 7, 1929 - April 7, 2017



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Earl was born on October 7, 1929 to his parents Oscar and Cecilia (Forsberg) Swenson on their homestead in Sauk Valley Township in Williams County. He was educated in McGregor, and attended NDSU in Fargo until he joined his father at the family farm. In August, 1951 he joined the United States Marines and served with the First Marine Air Wing, training in communications. In December, 1951 his squadron was aird to Korea. He began his happy trip back to the United States on Valentine's Day, 1953. Earl finished his tour of duty as a recruit rifle coach at the Marine base in California, until his Honorable Discharged.

On October 11, 1953 he married the love of his life Alice Vicha and settled on the family farm. In 1957 he also began selling American Family Insurance serving the McGregor and Tioga areas for 42 years. One of his most prestigious achievements was in 1963 when he received the soil conservation award from Williams County. While living on the family farm Earl served the community as a Sunday School teacher, treasurer for the local elevator board, and was a member of the McGregor school board.

In 1968, the insurance business grew and the family moved to Tioga. Earl continued to work the farm alongside being a member of numerous Boards and Associations. He was a long term member of the school board, including serving as board president; member of First Lutheran Church in Tioga; Tioga Chamber of Commerce; American Legion Post 139, 40 & 8, VFW, a life member of the Disabled Veterans; he served as the secretary/treasurer of the Fire Department for 14 years, and was a life member of North Dakota Fireman Association.

Earl was an avid sports fan. He loved to watch his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren play any sport they were involved with, travelling all over North Dakota and Wisconsin to support them.

He has passed on to all of his family the importance of unconditional love for your family, God and your country, as these were his values that he cherished.

In Lieu of Flowers; donations and memorials can be made to the North Dakota Fireman Association or the charity of your choice.

Earl is preceded in death by his parents Oscar and Cecilia (Forsberg) Swenson; sisters Irene Johnson and Clarice Titterud; and brother Frank Swenson.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years Alice (Vicha); his treasured daughters Jaelyn (Daryl) Wallin, of Tioga, ND, Joni (Robert) Syverson of Waunakee, WI, and Joy (Randy) Lalim of Tioga, ND. Nine precious grandchildren, Desi Hodges, of Tioga, Danett (Jason) Rice, of Tioga, Jeremy (Tara) Wallin, of Tioga, Matt (Candyce) Wallin, of Bozeman, Mt, Ryan (Tara) Syverson, of Ankeny, IA, Lyndsay (Jon) Wild, of DeForest, WI, Erin (Mike) Einarson, , Jace (Kayla) Lalim, and Tyler (Meghan) Lalim, all of White Earth; and 20 adorable great grandchildren.



The LORD is my *Shepherd*;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my *soul*.
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.
*I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;*
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23

