



George Hendrickson

August 28, 1935 - February 13, 2007

George Lee Hendrickson, age 71 of Wadena, passed away quietly at his home on Tuesday afternoon, February 13th. George was born to his parents Gustave & Dorothy (Johnson) Hendrickson in Crookston on August 28, 1935. George was confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Crookston. He also graduated from Crookston High School before attending the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks for a short period of time. After he left UND he attended the Minneapolis School of Art where he took photography classes. He began working at Rex McDonald Studio in 1959 where he worked until retiring in 1998. On July 10, 1966 he was united in marriage to Sandra Kay Lee in Larimore, ND. George was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and was a regular at the Men's Breakfast group. He also enjoyed reading, hunting, fishing, camping and spending time with his family and friends. For over 20 years George volunteered his time for lawn care at Immanuel Lutheran during the summer months. George was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Ann Myrold & Lois Escherich. He is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Sandy; brothers David (Diana) of Minneapolis & Mark (Gloria) of Bagley; mother in law Betty Lee of Larimore, ND; nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 16th at 11:00 AM in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena with Pastor Rob Nelson officiating. Honorary pallbearers will be Pete Achterkirch, Roger Lageson, Byron Hamre, Art Lund, Merlin Jennings, Phil Meier, Erling Johnson & Don Hoffman. Active pallbearers will be Christine Hendrickson, John

Hendrickson, Paul Myrold, Mark Lee, Mike Lee, Brian Hendrickson, Kent Escherich & Miles Escherich. Burial will take place in the Wadena Cemetery following the services.

Tribute Wall

TH

“ Our family was fortunate to meet and have as our summertime neighbors, George and Sandy at Sleeping Fawn Resort in Park Rapids. Both George and Sandy welcomed us with open arms and always had time to visit and enjoy the solitude of the pines. We would sit around the campfire, each time getting more acquainted with each other. As time passed, it felt like we had known them forever, they became like parents to us and grandparents to our daughters. I especially will remember George's love for nature. He repaired a tree that my daughter backed into which rubbed off the bark. He found some birch bark and meticulously mended the ouch in the tree. George, we will miss your gentle spirit, and as my daughter said, "Sleeping Fawn will never be the same without George". Rest with the Lord. (and repair those trees in heaven).

The Hoeschen's - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ George was my campfire buddy. There were many weekends when I would arrive at Sleeping Fawn earlier than the rest of my family and I would want to impress them by starting a campfire. There were many times when I was unsuccessful but my good old neighbor George was there to save the day. He would pretend he was reading his book or paper but I caught him taking a peek every once in a while probably thinking, "what is this girl doing" and he eventually would come on over and start the fire for me, just so I could look good. Getting to know George and Sandy has been such a gift for me. They were always full of stories to help me begin my teaching career and the start of my own journey. I will miss those moments with George but I know he's in a much better place and I can just see him taking some amazing pictures of the beautiful times he is now experiencing. You will all be in my prayers!

Emily Hoeschen - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Sandy,
I am so sorry to hear about George, but we know now the suffering is over and he is at peace with our Lord. George was a wonderful man and was always so nice to me and my family. We are praying for you and asking that God lift you up and give you strength. We will see you on Friday and help celebrate the wonderful life George had on this earth.

Michelle Christiansen - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *George was such a special friend to me during our high school years. He will remain in my thoughts and prayers as the sweet, kind and gentle soul that I knew. My sincere condolences to Sandy.*

Lenore Biever Wilcox - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *There is a card in the mail with memories of George I recalled. I wanted to say in this note that the video tribute you put together is beautiful. George's childhood photos are absolutely precious. What a charming little guy he was, who grew into a handsome man. He had a sense of humor, a warm personality and depth of character. You two were a real team. I think of all you did for your neighbors Toddie and Paul through many years of friendship and marvel at the way your Christian beliefs were exemplified through your actions. We will all miss George.*

Mary Ellen Kennedy Kollodge - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I am so sad to hear about your loss. We cannot explain these things. I am sorry I was unable to attend the service. My mother and sister told me how nice everything was. My most fond memory of George was the day he took our wedding pictures. He did such a great job, as usual. I remember he and my dad discussing how my dad's yard was so perfect for a photo shoot. George was always there to visit my dad during his battle. Now we know they are both at peace and are together with God.

Denise Huebsch - February 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM