



Harold Goepferd

November 4, 1918 - January 31, 2015

The funeral service for Harold Goepferd of Bertha will be held at 11:00a.m. on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at the Faith United Church of Christ in Bertha, with Dave Seaton presiding. Friends may call on Tuesday from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Domian-anderson Chapel in Bertha. Harold Haven Goepferd, age 96 of Bertha, MN, passed away on January 31, 2015, at the Todd County Care Center in Clarissa, MN.

Harold was born on November 4, 1918, to Henry George and Mable Edith (Holm) Goepferd in Bartlett Township, MN. Harold attended and graduated from Verndale High School and completed one year of technical school for business. Harold worked in Minneapolis for about a year before joining the Naval Reserves. He married the love of his life, Anna Margaretta "Marge" Sowder, August 19, 1943.

Harold was a World War II Navy Veteran and served in both the Atlantic and Pacific. He was able to entertain many with accounts of his experiences.

In 1947, Harold and Marge bought a house and moved to Bertha, where they raised their three children. Harold worked at the Ford garage where he was the bookkeeper, parts manager and mechanic. He also drove school bus. He was known as the best front-end mechanic in the area. In the early 60's, he co-owned the implement repair. He also helped the local mortician whenever

he was needed. Marge and Harold then bought and operated the laundromat in Bertha. Harold also built, developed and operated the trailer park.

Harold was a vital part of the Bertha community. He served on the fire department and was a volunteer for the Bertha Ambulance, which he helped establish. He served on the City Council of Bertha for nine years and also was Justice of the Peace for nine years. Harold was an active member of Faith United Church of Christ and served on the council for over 30 years. He was a Hospice volunteer for over 15 years. Harold was an active member in the local American Legion Post #366 and the 6th district of The American Legion for over 70 years. He volunteered to take blood pressures at state functions which saved many lives. In 2004, the American Legion Department of Minnesota selected Harold as one of eleven representatives to attend the dedication of the WWII memorial in Washington, D.C. In 2013 he received the 6th District Legionnaire of the Year award.

Harold enjoyed many leisure time activities: deer hunting and especially deer camp time with his grandsons until a couple years ago, bowling into his 90's, golfing and playing cards. He always enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He looked forward to spending time with his son, Wayne at the cattle roundups in Montana and the fishing trips they went on together. Sports were another highlight and Cindy made it possible for him to attend local sports events even in failing health.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents; his loving wife Marge; brother Gordon Goepferd; and sisters-in-law Jean Goepferd, Evelyn Goepferd, Louise LaBonte and Lucile Lieder; brothers-in-law Jack LaBonte and John Lieder.

He is survived by his daughter Cindy Goepferd, son Wayne (Cathy) Goepferd, daughter Norma (Al) Tramm, grandchildren Philip (Sabrina) Tramm, Monica (Corry) Goepferd Costle, Linda Tramm, Tim Tramm; great granddaughter Amy

Costle; brother Ray Goepferd; along with a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Military honors will be provided by the William Larson Post 366, American Legion, Bertha, MN.

Interment will be in the Peace Evangelical Cemetery in Bertha Township.

Cemetery Details

Peace Evangelical Cemetery

East of Bertha
Bertha, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Domian-Anderson Chapel
309 2nd Avenue NW
Bertha, MN 56437
(218) 924-4000

Visitation

FEB 11. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith United Church of Christ
202 1st St. NW
Bertha, MN 56437

Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Faith United Church of Christ
202 1st St. NW
Bertha, MN 56437

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Harold Goepferd* ”



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - February 06, 2015 at 04:06 PM



“ *Kara Barnes lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd* ”



Kara Barnes - February 10, 2015 at 06:04 PM

LB

“ *Lyle & Kathy Boehland lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd* ”



Lyle & Kathy Boehland - February 10, 2015 at 08:52 AM

HS

“ Heidi Stokes lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd



Heidi Stokes - February 05, 2015 at 07:26 AM

EG

“ Elvin And Lois Greenwaldt lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd



Elvin and Lois Greenwaldt - February 03, 2015 at 08:07 PM

DR

“ Dale, Heather, Veronica & Gavin Reek purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Harold Goepferd.



Dale, Heather, Veronica & Gavin Reek - February 03, 2015 at 06:11 PM

SA

“ Ray and I are so sorry to hear about Harold, he was one super guy. He is resting peacefully now that he is in Heaven. Prayers for all the Goepferd Family. Love to you all. God Bless.

Sandy/Ray - February 03, 2015 at 02:52 PM

JB

“ *John And Audrey Blashack lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



John and Audrey Blashack - February 02, 2015 at 05:36 PM

IB

“ *Our deepest thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Jerry and Irene Baron*



Irene Baron - February 02, 2015 at 04:28 PM

RA

“ *Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



Rita Anderson - February 02, 2015 at 01:51 PM

NB

“ *Neal And Leona Bowman lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



Neal and Leona Bowman - February 02, 2015 at 12:52 PM

NB

Our sympathy goes out to all of you at this time.

Neal and Leona Bowman - February 02, 2015 at 12:52 PM

SH

“ *Sue Havlovick lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



Sue Havlovick - February 02, 2015 at 12:06 PM

SH

My deepest symphay goes out to the whole family. You are in my prayers

Sue Havlovick - February 02, 2015 at 12:09 PM

CL

My thoughts and prayers for your family in this difficult time. Your dad was a charmer and always pleasant around me. He will be missed.

char and Ron IAge - February 02, 2015 at 12:51 PM

MF

“ *Mike And Marie Fraune lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



Mike and Marie Fraune - February 02, 2015 at 11:35 AM

DO

“*Doug And Joan Ostlund lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*”



Doug and Joan Ostlund - February 02, 2015 at 10:02 AM

MB

“*Michelle And Roger Boehland lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*”



michelle and roger boehland - February 02, 2015 at 07:48 AM

DB

“*Dave And Janice Bastian lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*”



Dave and Janice Bastian - February 01, 2015 at 09:12 PM

BD

“*Bob And Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*”



Bob and Kathy Derby - February 01, 2015 at 04:40 PM

GK

“ *Gene & Sandy Kapphahn lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



Gene & Sandy Kapphahn - February 01, 2015 at 02:26 PM

MS

“ *Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Harold Goepferd*



Mike and Lea Snyder - February 01, 2015 at 02:23 PM