



Jerome Gothman

December 29, 1941 - December 21, 2015

The memorial service and time of remembrance for Jerome “Jerry” Gothman, age 73, of Hewitt will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday January 9, 2016, at the Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend, with Pastor Melissa Ehrhardt presiding. Friends may call at the church on Saturday, from noon until the time of service. Jerry, age 73, passed away at his home in Hewitt, MN on December 21, 2015 surrounded by family, with his loyal dog, Brandy beside him.

Jerry was born on December 29, 1941, to Raymond and Irene (Anderson) Gothman in Eagle Bend, MN. He grew up on a farm west of town and graduated from Parkers Prairie High School in 1959. In 1961, he married his soulmate Sharon Garrelts and they settled on a farm southwest of Bertha. Together they raised two daughters as they worked side by side on their farm. Jerry was a loving husband, devoted father and loyal friend to many. He often remarked on being a “jack of all trades out of necessity” as a farmer and prided himself on being self-taught as well as self-sustained. His sense of adventure, perseverance and selfless attitude allowed him to face life’s challenges “head on” as he was not afraid to get his hands dirty or problem solve situations for himself or others.

Jerry truly appreciated God’s creations in the world around him. Because of this love for nature, he chose to live his life by the Wing River and enjoy the outdoors whenever possible. Over the years he enjoyed many memorable

Canada fishing trips and deer hunting experiences with lifelong friends. As an avid sportsman he lovingly teased his daughters, and later others, not to get married on hunting or fishing openers as he would be conflicted regarding attendance of the event.

Jerry was also a self-taught master wood-worker, taking pride his many projects which included building or remodeling homes, cabinetry, and numerous heirloom projects for family and friends. He enjoyed sports and loved attending ball games for grand or great-grandkids. He spent many years pitching horseshoe and was proud to compete and place at State and World tournaments.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Irene; mother and father-in-law Heike and Myrtle Garrelts; and multiple paternal & maternal aunts and uncles.

He is survived by wife Sharon Gothman; daughters Lisa (Dan) Dreger and Linda (Scott) Powers; grandchildren Jessica Bratsch, Jeremiah (Jayme) Bratsch, Sean Powers, Michaela Powers, Matthew Powers, Elijah Powers, and Gabriella Powers; great-grandchildren Marissa Bratsch, Mya Harapat and Thomias Erickson.

Honorary pallbearers include Jerry Wagner, Jim Templin, Dan Dreger, Scott Powers, Mark Garrelts, Alan Hynek and Jeremiah Bratsch.

Burial will be held at a later date in the Eagle Bend Cemetery, Eagle Bend, MN.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church - Eagle Bend
300 Main St. W.
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

Service

JAN 9. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

 Beth Green

“ *Sending our deepest condolences from the Carolynne Bisel family. Due to a a family emergency we were unable to attend. Our sincere thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.* ”

Beth Green - January 09, 2016 at 06:26 PM

 LH

“ *Lydia Hennagir lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman* ”



Lydia Hennagir - January 09, 2016 at 10:49 AM

 LB

“ *Lorraine & Gerald Bruun lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman* ”



Lorraine & Gerald Bruun - January 08, 2016 at 08:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jerome Gothman.* ”



January 06, 2016 at 10:45 PM



“ *Tina Fearing-Irish lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Tina Fearing-Irish - January 05, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ *Leo Haisman lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Leo Haisman - January 05, 2016 at 07:05 PM



“ *I wish to extend my deepest sympathies to Jerome's family. I'm a cousin of Jerome's and unfortunately due to extenuating circumstances, we never spent much time together. But, when I was with Jerome I felt acceptance and love; that meant a great to me. Jerome was a fine decent man that will be missed. May God bless the memory of Jerome.*

Ron Anderson - January 01, 2016 at 11:14 PM



“ *Nancy Ahlers lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Nancy Ahlers - January 01, 2016 at 09:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jerome Gothman.*



December 29, 2015 at 02:50 PM



“ *Doug And Joan Ostlund lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Doug and Joan Ostlund - December 28, 2015 at 02:07 PM



“ *Diane Teigland lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Diane Teigland - December 28, 2015 at 03:58 AM



“ *John And Audrey Blashack lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



John and Audrey Blashack - December 27, 2015 at 06:03 AM

LR

“ *Lisa Randall lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Lisa Randall - December 25, 2015 at 06:06 PM

LR

So sorry.... I will always remember Jerry with a smile, he was a good and caring person

Lisa Randall - December 25, 2015 at 06:08 PM

IB

“ *Irene Baron lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Irene Baron - December 24, 2015 at 07:56 PM

GW

“ *Glenn and Doris Winter*



Glenn and Doris Winter - December 24, 2015 at 07:13 AM

PO

“ *2 Ringers 6 Jerry, RIP, The Bertha Horseshoe Club*

Paul Olson - December 23, 2015 at 06:05 PM

SK

“ *Sandy Keen lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



sandy keen - December 23, 2015 at 05:58 PM

TH

“ *Tim Hauschen lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Tim Hauschen - December 23, 2015 at 04:00 PM

GH

“ *Gale And LuAnn Holt lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Gale and LuAnn Holt - December 23, 2015 at 03:31 PM

DR

“ *David & Marsha Rolstad lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



David & Marsha Rolstad - December 23, 2015 at 03:21 PM

SO

“ *Sharyl Olson lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



sharyl olson - December 23, 2015 at 03:10 PM

MB

“ *Michelle And Roger Boehland lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Michelle and Roger boehland - December 23, 2015 at 11:33 AM

LS

“ *Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Lea Snyder - December 23, 2015 at 06:59 AM

WJ

“ *Wilferd & Shirley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Wilferd & Shirley Johnson - December 22, 2015 at 09:05 PM

MA

“ *Mark And Barb Allen lit a candle in memory of Jerome Gothman*



Mark and Barb Allen - December 22, 2015 at 06:39 PM