



## Larry Wegner

July 17, 1936 - May 24, 2007

Funeral services for Larry Wegner of Bertha were held at 1:00 PM on Monday, May 28, 2007 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bertha with Reverend Blake Rickbeil presiding. Larry passed away suddenly on Thursday, May 24, 2007 at the Lakewood Health Systems Hospital in Staples at the age of 70 years.

Larry Lee Wegner was born on July 17, 1936 at the home of his parents Walter and Gertrude (Matter) Wegner in Bertha Township. He graduated from Bertha High School. He served his country as a radio communications instructor in the US Army from 1959 until his honorable discharge in 1962. Larry was united in marriage with LaVonne Amanda Ehrens on January 5, 1963 at Detroit Lakes, MN. He worked as a railroad telegraph operator for the Northern Pacific Railroad, school bus driver for 28 years and farmer. He served his community as a member of the Bertha Township Board, a St. Paul's Lutheran Church elder and past president, the church choir, and kept books for the high school basketball teams for 20 years. Larry loved anything outdoors, including fishing and hunting, and was an avid spectator at all activities that involved his grandchildren. Larry was preceded in death by his father Walter; brothers Duane and James; sister Catherine; and nephew Matt Zweifel. He is survived by his wife LaVonne; mother Gertrude; son Scott of Bertha; daughters Shari (Bob) Moller of Enderlin, ND and Beth (Dave) Selvey of Bertha; grandchildren Austin, Brooke and Cole Selvey; brother Charles (Marilee) of Bertha; sisters JoAnne (Robert) Botterbusch of Spokane, WA, Wanda (Robert) Stapelberg of Rapid City, SD, Nancy (Charles) Aldrich of

Ottertail, MN and Judy (Jerry) Zweifel of Spokane. He is also survived by many wonderful nieces and nephews. Honorary pallbearers were Robert Stapelberg, Austin Selvey, Brooke Selvey and Cole Selvey. Pallbearers were Meryl Wegner, Charles Aldrich, Tom Aldrich, Jerry Zweifel, Robert Botterbusch and Gary Kleen. Military Honors were provided by the William Larson American Legion Post 366 of Bertha. Interment was in the St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in Bertha.

# Tribute Wall

HG

“ Hi,  
*I wish we could be there with all of you. I'm sure you know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Uncle Larry had such a strong faith. I know he is with Jesus now, waiting with Him to welcome the rest of us someday. Until then, we'll just have to treasure all the wonderful memories we have of the times we were together.*  
*May God hold you close!*  
Love,  
*Heidi (& Dan, Jenna, and Christy)*

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**Heidi Gile** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Larry was a friendly neighbor. He always had a positive word. He had a beautiful yard and garden. He will be missed.*

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**Carolyn Decker** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *What a shock to hear about Uncle Larry passing on. He will be greatly missed by many. I will always remember his wonderful sense of humor. He and Aunt LaVonne were a great match in that way! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Love, Sue*

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**Susan Drymalski** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ My thoughts are with Lavonne, Shari, Beth and Scott in this difficult time. The last time I saw Uncle Larry was during my parent's 50th Wedding Anniversary in Rapid City last summer. He was the same as I remember when I was young, visiting the Wegner farm on summer vacation. He always had a smile on his face and loved a good laugh. He will be missed but remembered in our hearts forever.

Love, Terri

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Terri Stapelberg - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ vonnie were so sorry for your sorrow,we cant be there with you but your in out tho

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hts with prayers..

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buzzy@eitching ehrens - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ dear larry you will be miss you always took time to make everyone welcome to you home  
iam very proud to say that you where a friend and a great brother in law

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robert allen - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Dear LaVonne & Family  
Our prayers are with you and your families. We were so sorry to hear about Larry but we know he is with His Lord. It is always hard for the rest of us living here but we have to much to look forward to as Larry is now celebrating his Life with the Heavenly Father. We will keep all of you in our prayers.  
Lois & Darol

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**Darol & Lois Baumgartner** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Larry was always thoughtful and kind. May you be comforted by prayer, family and neighbors during this difficult time.

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**james kleen** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I only know Larry via his son Scott, whom I have had the pleasure of knowing for several years through school and business. I know that Larry was a great man because he raised a loyal, honest, and talented son! His legacy lives on in his wonderful family.  
Dave Girtz

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**David Girtz** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Vonnie and kids, Gods blessing on you all. We will miss Larry but the memories will be with us forever. I'm going to go and talk to mom and dad Von, and maybe have a beer with them and Larry. later Von. Your almost twin. K

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**Karen Schroeder** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I just heard about Larry. I am so sorry! I always really liked him. He reminded me a lot of my Dad! You would have thought they were related or something. What a shock! I will pray for all of you. It has to be hard. He was too young to go, but apparently God needed him.

*We are all in God's Hands. May his blessings be with all of you. Jani*

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**Jani Heins** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ I was deeply moved to hear of Larry's passing. I was recalling the Wednesday nights at Choir Practice and the words of advice he always shared with Scott and I as we were on the precipice of doing something foolish (which was often). I have been missing the Wegner family a great deal and I am in sorrow with you, but rejoice to know that Larry was a man of faith which was demonstrated through the fruits of the Spirit in his life. You are in our prayers, may you be comforted and have peace in the Lord during this time.

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**Kevin Nyberg** - May 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM