



## Lester Irish

February 20, 1938 - January 17, 2015

The funeral service for Lester LaVern Irish, age 76, of Eagle Bend, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 24, 2015, at the Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Pastor Hollis Bishop presiding. Visitation will be at the church on Friday, January 23, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and will resume on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service. Lester passed away on January 17, 2015, at Lakewood Health Systems in Staples, MN.

Lester was born to Charles "Rennie" and Grace (Sanford) Irish on February 20, 1938 in Belgrade, Nebraska. He graduated from Eagle Bend High School in 1956. After high school he attended Bemidji State College. On June 12, 1965, he was united in marriage to Beryl Virginia Kimball at Bethany Lutheran Church, rural Menahga. During Lester's career he worked as a business teacher, secretary, and worked 17 years at Camp Ripley as a Supply Clerk with the National Guard.

Lester and Beryl lived almost all of 49 years of marriage in rural Eagle Bend. They were blessed with four children. Lester was an active member of Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend where he was head usher for many years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge since 1961. Lester was president of the Eagle Bend Historical Society.

Lester enjoyed farming and spending time with family and friends. He was

always willing to lend a helping hand. Lester enjoyed polka music and dancing. He also enjoyed camping, fishing, cutting wood and giving hayrides. Lester always had time for his grandchildren's sports activities. His grandchildren were the sunshine in Lester's eye.

Lester was preceded in death by his parents; infant brother Leonard; and granddaughter Tori Ann Irish.

Lester is survived by his wife Beryl, sons David (Tina) of Wadena, Daryl of Eagle Bend, and Darwin (Laura) of Frazee; daughter Diane (Jason) Chubb of Sparks, NV; grandchildren Jordan (Nate Schmitz) of Wadena, Jessica (Storm Green) of West Fargo, ND, and Caleb of Frazee; great-grandchild baby Schmitz due February 2015; sisters Lois (Al) Greenwaldt of Bertha, and Leila (Dick) Allen of Staples; a host of brother and sister in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins; and many beloved friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be Steve Schoberg, Chuck Schoberg, Dick Allen, Al Greenwaldt and Ernie Kimball. Serving as pallbearers will be Rick, John, Lloyd and Dale Allen, Steve and Greg Greenwaldt.

Interment will be in Hope Lutheran Cemetery in Eagle Bend, MN.

# Cemetery Details

## Hope Lutheran Cemetery

15115 County Road 22  
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 23. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

JAN 24. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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

## Service

JAN 24. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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



# Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Lester Irish



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - January 23, 2015 at 09:08 AM

LG

“ Lester was a loving husband, father to our children, and to our grandchildren. When we were married Lester was willing to visit my relatives as well as his own, including a yearly gathering on my side of the family. He never failed to be by my side when each child was born,



Camping and traveling with the family was also enjoyable and memorable.

Lester always made it a priority to attend church and church related activities with us as a family. Lester was a blessing to our family as well as to many others. He is deeply missed. Beryl

Lois Greenwaldt - February 07, 2015 at 06:17 PM

KF

“ *KATHY ROHR-STEVES FRIEND lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish*



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**KATHY ROHR-STEVES FRIEND** - January 24, 2015 at 10:33 AM

KF

*very beautiful video and touching video of lester and beryl life togethertime for the kids and grandkids now. I remember seeing you down at chuck's auto repair!*

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**KATHY ROHR-STEVES FRIEND** - January 24, 2015 at 10:39 AM

RA

“ *Lester; You were a great man and I learned a lot from you in becoming a man. I am honored to have called you "uncle" " friend" and "mentor". I love you and I will miss you until the day we are reunited in Christ. To David and Tina, love you guys and I send love and prayers your way. Darwin and Laura, I don't get to see you enough any more but still think of you often. Diane and Jason, miss you so much, too. Daryl, take good care of your mother and my aunt. Jordon, what can I say, "Princess" love you, too, and I can't wait to see Baby. Love and prayers to you all, Rick*



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**Rick Allen** - January 23, 2015 at 06:27 AM

GC

“ Beryl my sympathies to you - One of my memories of Les is of the two of you attending the Wadena Concerts. You and your family are in my thoughts. Gladys



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**Gladys Chase** - January 22, 2015 at 08:27 PM

BO

“ Darwin and family - thinking of you at this very difficult time. So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers~  
Mike, Brenda & Thea Olson

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**Brenda Olson** - January 22, 2015 at 09:03 AM

LG

“ Lester was the kind of brother every little girl needs to mature through childhood into adulthood. I appreciate the times he helped me with problems; no matter how small they seemed. When I fell, he was always the first one to pick me up. Lester's lifelong love for GOD, family and friends is appreciated by everyone who truly knew him. His values and trust were implicit. Sister, Lois



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**Lois Greenwaldt** - January 21, 2015 at 03:35 PM

BF

“ Our sympathies Beryl and family!! Love Lori Heather and Pat.

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**Beldo /Grob/Hutzembiler family** - January 20, 2015 at 10:35 PM

BF

“ *Beldo /Grob/Hutzembiler Family lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish*



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**Beldo /Grob/Hutzembiler family** - January 20, 2015 at 10:34 PM

BD

“ *Bob And Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish*



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**Bob and Kathy Derby** - January 20, 2015 at 09:28 PM

DJ

“ *So sorry Darwin and family to hear of your father's passing. We will be praying for you!*

*Tim & Diane Jensen*

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**diane jensen** - January 20, 2015 at 07:09 PM

D&

“ *David Rolstad &marsha lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish*



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**david rolstad &marsha** - January 20, 2015 at 03:26 PM

BA

“ Bruce & Tammy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Bruce & Tammy Anderson - January 20, 2015 at 12:57 PM

JO

“ We are so sorry your loss. Darwin and family we are thinking and praying for family  
Jodi & Wade

jodi - January 19, 2015 at 10:11 PM

LW

“ Lyle & Doris Winter lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Lyle & Doris Winter - January 19, 2015 at 07:01 PM

GG

“ Greg And Betty Greenwaldt lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Greg and Betty Greenwaldt - January 19, 2015 at 04:51 PM

KE

“ Kelly lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Kelly - January 19, 2015 at 07:02 AM

LE

“ Leona lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Leona - January 18, 2015 at 09:20 PM

PJ

“ Paul & Julie lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Paul & Julie - January 18, 2015 at 09:09 PM

 Loree Allen

“ Loree Allen lit a candle in memory of Lester Irish



Loree Allen - January 18, 2015 at 04:35 PM

LH

“ We are so sad at the loss of such a dear man.  
God bless Lester's family as they grieve.



LuAnn and Gale Holt - January 18, 2015 at 08:27 AM

DB

“ Dave And Janice Bastian lit a candle in  
memory of Lester Irish



Dave and Janice Bastian - January 18, 2015 at 07:48 AM

LW

Lester was such a caring person. Always glad to see you and offered a hand shake. Lyle will miss his greeting at church.

Lyle & Doris Winter - January 19, 2015 at 07:00 PM

DR

"Lester was a person that you could count on"

david rolstad - January 20, 2015 at 03:30 PM

PH

"Lester was the one who made me feel at home in Eagle Bend. I always looked forward to his Sunday greeting: "Did you hear the birds this morning?" and "How is that lawn mowing going?" Always happy and content with God's gifts. Phil Holum

Phil Holum - January 23, 2015 at 07:12 PM