



## Robert Thorson

January 16, 1928 - February 4, 2019

The funeral service for Robert Thorson will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, February 8, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Pastor Justin Hesterman presiding. Visitation will be held at the church on Thursday from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. and will resume at the church on Friday from 12:30 p.m. until the time of service.

In the early hours of February 4, 2019, Robert, age 91, passed away at the Central Todd County Care Center in Clarissa, MN.

Robert was born to Leonard and Clara (Mennenga) Thorson on January 16, 1928, in Blue Earth County, near Lake Crystal, MN. Robert was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at Zion in Lake Crystal. He attended and graduated from Felch School District #115, Lake Crystal.

He was united in marriage with Erna Emma Schulz on July 21, 1947, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Willow Creek. They enjoyed 61 years together and were blessed with five children. Following their marriage they farmed near Winthrop until 1963, then moving to Courtland, MN. In 1976, they settled on a farm in Eagle Bend until his retirement in 1989.

Robert loved farming and took pride in the crops he raised. The real joy in his life was being with his family especially spending precious time with his

grandchildren and great grandchildren which, he enjoyed for over 48 years. He was an avid history buff, enjoying traveling to Georgia, Virginia and Washington DC.

Robert was preceded in death by his wife, Erna, on November 15, 2008; parents Leonard and Clara; son Ted on October 24, 2017; siblings Orland (Eyvonne), Dean, Patricia (Wallace) Bode, and John (Marlys) Thorson; brother-in-law Walter (Kathleen) Schulz, sister-in-law Olidia (Fred) Karau and Elna (Marvin) Davidson and an infant granddaughter.

Surviving Robert are his children, Gerold (Janice) of Eagle Bend, Ray (Vicki) of Dilworth, Julie (Charles) Hoyle of S. Daytona, FL, Diane of New Ulm; daughter-in-law Carol Thorson of Courtland; sister-in-law Betty Thorson; 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, along with a multitude of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be Robert's granddaughters Resa Harris, Kelly Jensen, Stephanie Keech and Amanda Schoon.

Pallbearers will be Robert's grandsons Kurt Thorson, Brian Thorson, Richard Thorson, Michael Wenner, Stephen Wenner, Joseph Wenner and Joshua Crider.

Burial will be in Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery, Eagle Bend, MN.

# Cemetery Details

## Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery - Eagle Bend

(Southwest corner of Eagle Bend)  
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Eagle Bend  
308 South St. W.  
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

## Visitation

FEB 8. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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308 South St. W.  
Eagle Bend, MN 56446

## Service

FEB 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

DP

“ Keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.



Don and Joan Payne - February 08, 2019 at 04:39 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Robert Thorson.



February 07, 2019 at 07:04 PM

RO

“ Bob always had a smile on his face. Loved visting Bob and Erna when they were up the Thorson's Bakery. Arlo enjoyed visiting with your dad and now Bob, Arlo and Orie are visiting again together. Because of the weather we are not going to make it. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.

Randy and Linda Olson - February 07, 2019 at 12:57 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert Thorson.



February 07, 2019 at 10:43 AM

SS

“ *Bob always had smile and a joy for living is what I remember at family gatherings. Must have been a Thorson trait.*

Steve Sturm - February 07, 2019 at 10:15 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Thorson.*



February 06, 2019 at 12:45 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert Thorson.*



February 05, 2019 at 12:44 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathies to the entire Thorson Family. Big hugs and prayers to you all. <3*

Darren N Kristen LeGare - February 05, 2019 at 10:49 AM

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“ *Betty Lipinski lit a candle in memory of Robert Thorson*



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**Betty Lipinski** - February 05, 2019 at 08:17 AM

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*Bob was a bright spot in my day when he came into the restaurant where I worked and had a meal or maybe just dessert, lots of times a piece of cherry pie. A special man that brought joy with him. Betty Lipinski*

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**Betty Lipinski** - February 05, 2019 at 02:47 PM

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“ *Neal And Leona Bowman lit a candle in memory of Robert Thorson*



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**Neal and Leona Bowman** - February 04, 2019 at 09:00 PM

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“ *Bob had a heart of gold. Loved all of my visits with him both at home his apartment and the care center. We had alot of laughs over the years. Bob and Erna were a great couple. They shared alot of happy years together. Now they are together again along with Ted. Our sympathy to all of you. Love Leona and Neal.*

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**Neal and Leona Bowman** - February 04, 2019 at 08:59 PM