The Life of Wayne Feller

Services for Wayne Loren "Coach" Feller, Jr, 72, of Groton will be 11 a.m., Friday, October 2, 2015 at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton. Pastor Elizabeth Johnson will officiate. Burial will follow in Bates-Scotland Cemetery, rural Verdon.

Visitation will be held at the chapel on Thursday from 5-7 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Wayne died September 27, 2015 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls following a farm accident.

Wayne was born on September 18, 1943 in Aberdeen to Wayne and Ruth (Bjerke) Feller. Wayne grew up on the family farm near Ferney where he was the oldest of 5. Wayne attended Prairie Pride Country School until the 8th Grade and graduated from Groton High School in 1961. Wayne was active in Lazy Farmers 4-H, GHS football and Band. He was also quite the socialite at GHS. Wayne continued his education at Northern State University, graduating with a degree in Business. He was united in marriage with Paula Hatch and they had two children, Scott and Sara, whom he was very proud of.

Wayne started his career at Hub City Iron and later worked for the Aberdeen American News and Kessler's. Wayne was well known to all customers at Kessler's and was sure to tell a joke or a story of his children and grandchildren. It was very obvious how proud he was of them. Wayne dedicated his time to coaching his children and many others for Aberdeen Hockey Association. He loved looking into genealogy and telling his family about their history. Wayne made sure everyone knew what was going on with his letters and pictures sent thru snail mail, although he was recently introduced to the internet and Facebook and would love to make funny comments on people's Facebook posts. In his spare time, Wayne enjoyed watching the history channel and traveling to see family and friends. He had recently been to New York and Kansas City to visit family. He was always willing to help his son on the farm; or help anyone who needed anything.

Wayne is survived by his children, Scott (Natasha Swanson) Feller of Ferney, Sara (Lee) Jefferson of Lees Summit, MO, grandchildren: Jackson, Jaliyah and Amira Jefferson. Wayne is also survived by his sister, Shirley (Tom) Kucera of Sioux Falls, sister, Nancy (Josh) Bartos of Webster his brother, Jason (Nataliya) Feller of Dallas, TX and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents and his brother, Leslie Feller.

Casketbearers will be Guy DiBenedetto, David Kucera, Tom Kucera, Ryan Heinz, Jarod Heinz, Richard Hildebrant and David Feller.