

Obituary

George J. Dylla, 88

George J. Dylla, 88, Watertown, SD, died Friday, Sept. 20, 2019 at Sun Dial Manor, Bristol, SD.

A Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m., Friday, Sept. 27, 2019 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Watertown, with Father Michael Wensing as celebrant. Music will be provided by Jane Rokusek as organist, with Blaine Martian as song leader. The family is requested to meet at the church 10:30 a.m. for a prayer service. Visitation will be at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel, Watertown, 4-6 p.m. with a 6 p.m. Rosary, Thursday, Sept. 26.



Burial will be at All Saints Catholic Cemetery, Andover, SD, with arrangements by Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel. Pallbearers will be George's adult grandsons, Christopher Dylla, Joseph Dylla, Benjamin Dylla, Brady Dylla, Zachary Dylla and Jonah Thoennes. Honorary pallbearers will be George's grandchildren, Amanda (Andrew) Davies; Michelle Dylla; Danielle and Boone Omer; Katherine Price; Amelia Thoennes; Lauren, Katherine, and Sara Heine; Emma, Max and Samuel Dylla.

George was born October 26, 1930 in Andover to Julius and Lucy (Zimny) Dylla. He graduated from Andover High School in 1948, and served in the Army, 1953-1955.

George married Dorothy "Mick" Murphy, July 17, 1954 in Webster, SD. They farmed and milked cows on his family's homestead, outside of Andover, for the majority of their lives. George was a member of the Andover American Legion, the All Saints Catholic Church, and the James Valley Threshing Association.

George is survived by his wife, Dorothy "Mick" Dylla, Watertown, SD; nine children, William (Pam) Dylla, Bristol, SD; Gary (Penny) Dylla, Wichita Falls, Texas; Thomas Dylla, Canyon Country, Calif.; Beth (Dan) Omer, Lee's Summit, Mo.; Janet Price, Shawnee, Kan.; Jay Dylla, Houston, Texas; Mary Jo (Todd) Thoennes, Watertown; Marci (Mark) Heine, Spearfish, SD, and James (Carrie) Dylla, Watertown; one daughter-in-law, Linda Dylla, Watertown; 18 grandchildren; one brother, Lawrence (Sharon) Dylla, Crystal, Minn., and one sister-in-law, Loretta (Ray) Dylla, Bristol.

George was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Michael Dylla; one son-in-law, Kevin Price; one grandson, Kevin Dylla; six brothers and four sisters.

George's family would like to thank the staff and volunteers of Avera Hospice and Sun Dial Manor, Bristol, for their compassionate care of George.