

## The Life of Glenn Johnson



Services for Glenn Johnson, 77, of Groton will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ferney. The Rev. Lloyd Redhage will officiate. Burial with military honors will follow in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Visitation will be held at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, on Tuesday from 5-7 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Glenn passed away July 22, 2017 at Avera St. Lukes Hospital, Aberdeen surrounded by his family.

Glenn Harold was born on August 9, 1939 in Aberdeen to Chester and Vernita (Sombke) Johnson. He was baptized, confirmed and a lifelong member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ferney. Glenn attended school in Ferney and began helping with his family's farm operations. In 1963, he was drafted into the US Army and served as a fuel specialist in France and Germany. Following his honorable discharge in 1965, he returned home to the family farm and took over operations with his brother, Jim in 1968.

After his "retirement" due to rheumatoid arthritis, he enjoyed driving around in the Ranger checking on the cows and crops, going to movies, and attending farm shows. He was proud of his children and grandchildren for whom he would do anything. The grandkids always brought a smile to his face. Many memories were made at the farm kitchen table playing cards and

eating meals with family, and discussing the farm business with his brother and son. Glenn appreciated all of nature and loved site seeing as he traveled the country with his family.

Celebrating his life is his wife of 47 years, Alvina Johnson of Groton, his children, Chad (Michelle) Johnson of Groton, Lyncee (Nick) Monson of Groton, two step-daughters, Pam Wiseman of Springfield, Missouri, Kathy (Dale) Zambo-Lesmeister of Eagle Butte, grandchildren: Brenna & Porter Johnson, Hailey & Hannah Monson, step-grandchildren, Tonica, Ryanne, Karla and Dustin, several step great-grandchildren, his siblings; Jim Johnson of Groton, Kenny Johnson of Yankton, Charlie (Sheila) Johnson of Conde, Sheila (Jim) Anderson of Winfred and Donna Gunderson of Parker.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his sister, Arlys Ehrenberg and brother, Richard "Herbie" Johnson. Casketbearers will be Jeff Harry, Greg Bonn, Kevin Krueger, Dustin Wiseman, Jim Leidholt and Roni Dobberpuhl.

Honorary Casketbearers will be all of Glenn's grandchildren.