

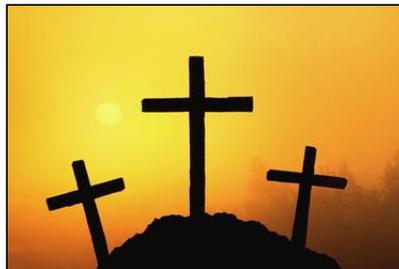
## Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel

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### Martin Sippel

(Died September 6, 2017)

Services for Martin “Marty” Sippel, 67, of Groton will be 10:30 a.m., Monday, September 11th at St. John’s Lutheran Church, Groton. Rev. Craig Grams will officiate. Burial will follow in Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.



Visitation will be held at the church one hour prior to services.

Marty passed away Wednesday, September 06, 2017 at Groton Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Martin Howard was born on May 28, 1950 in Britton, SD to Marvin and Margaret (Johnson) Sippel. He graduated from Groton High School in 1969. After high school, he drove semi-truck for several neighbors and did some cattle buying.

He married Eleanor (Ellie) Schmidt on November 27, 1998 in Groton and the couple made their home on the family farm.

Marty was truly a dairy farmer at heart. Cows were his passion. He started in 4-H showing and breeding Brown Swiss cows. He loved every aspect of the dairy industry, which also included selling bulls and heifers to many foreign countries. He also showed cattle at many different fairs around the country for many years.

Marty was a member of St. John’s Lutheran Church all of his life. He also belonged to both the National and State Brown Swiss Associations. In his early years, he enjoyed bowling and stock car racing. Later in life he liked going to casinos.

Blessed to have shared in his life is his wife, Ellie, Aunt Lorraine Sippel, Aunt Marie Gengerke, three sisters-in-law, Mildred Henry of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, Sharon (Art) Reyes of Orland Park, Illinois and Peggy (John) Christensen of Rapid City and many cousins.

Marty is preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Margaret, his only sibling, Mary Ann Sippel and his God Child, Lisa Sippel.

Casketbearers will be Robbin Green, Matt Johnson, Dave Alberts, Gary Fliehs, Lori Hanson and Chris Sippel.

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