



God saw he was getting tired,
And a cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around him,
And whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched him lay,
And saw him fade away.
Although we loved him dearly,
We could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.



Tears

Tears streamed down my face when I saw you that way.
I love you grandpa, I will love you everyday.
As my tears raced down my face;
I knew you'd soon be in a happier place.
My love will follow you wherever you go.
Oh how I loved you so.
Although I feel sorrow and hate.
You can't fight fate.
You told me everything as time passed by
and by.
I never wanted you to die.
We did a lot together throughout the years.
It's time to wipe away the tears.
I want you to know;
I will never let you go.
I know you loved me too.
My heart will always be with you.
Now it's time to say goodbye.
Until I see you again someday when I die.



Gary L. Engebretson

Date and Place of Birth

November 5, 1942
Spring Lake Township, Ward Co, ND

Date and Place of Death

June 30, 2009
Minot, ND

Funeral Service

Oak Valley Lutheran Church
Velva, North Dakota
Friday, July 3, 2009 – 1:00 p.m.

Officiant

Pastor Tim Johnson and Bishop Mark Narum

Music

Cheri Wilhelmson, Vocalist
"I Can Only Imagine" & "On Eagle's Wings"
Marilyn Anderson, Organist
Congregational Hymns
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" & "How Great Thou Art"

Honorary Bearers

Gary's family and friends

Active Bearers

Dennis Peterson	David Rust	Dennis Larson
Jim Bakken	Arvin Larson	Curt Christopherson

***Military honors accorded by the Velva American Legion Post #39
with Taps by Rachel Pfennig.***

Immediately following the funeral service, please join the family
for a time of fellowship and lunch in the fellowship hall.

Our family would like to thank all of you for your many acts of
kindness. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated during
this difficult time. May God bless the memory of Gary.

Thompson-Larson Funeral Home, Minot, North Dakota