

LaVern James Hanson was born on March 15, 1931, a son of Arthur and Mildred (Bell) Hanson, in Kenmare, ND. He was raised on a farm in Denmark Township, Ward County. He attended rural school and graduated from Bowbells High School in 1948.



On January 3, 1954, he was united in marriage to Rose Matte at the Kenmare Methodist Church. LaVern and Rose were the 3rd generation on the Ole P. Hanson, Lavern's grandfather, Homestead farm in Denmark Township.

He was a member of the SCS in Kenmare, Farmers United Elevator, and United Methodist Church, all of Bowbells. He was also a member of the Bowbells Masonic Lodge #75, Order of the Eastern Star and Rabboni Lodge in Bowbells. He was a square

dance caller for 12 years, calling in North Dakota and Canada. He was also a member of several square dance clubs in the area.

LaVern enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren, attending their school and sporting activities. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, and will be missed by all that knew him.

Those Who Shared His Life:

Wife Rose Hanson, Bowbells; sons: Duane (Betty) Hanson, West Fargo, ND; Dean (Desiree) Hanson, Tioga, ND; grandchildren: Kelly (Ryan) Watson, Fargo, Becca Hanson (special friend Lance Johnson) Casselton, ND, Kelci Hanson, Tioga, Tyler Hanson, Tioga; great-granddaughter Abigail Watson, Fargo; sister: Gladys (Dennis) Barnes, Minot; Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.



LaVern was preceded in death by his parents, brother Arvie Hanson, brothers-in-law Oscar Matte and Armand Matte.

*In Loving Memory
Of
LaVern J. Hanson
1931-2009*

