

MNDAK District Convention Memorial Service

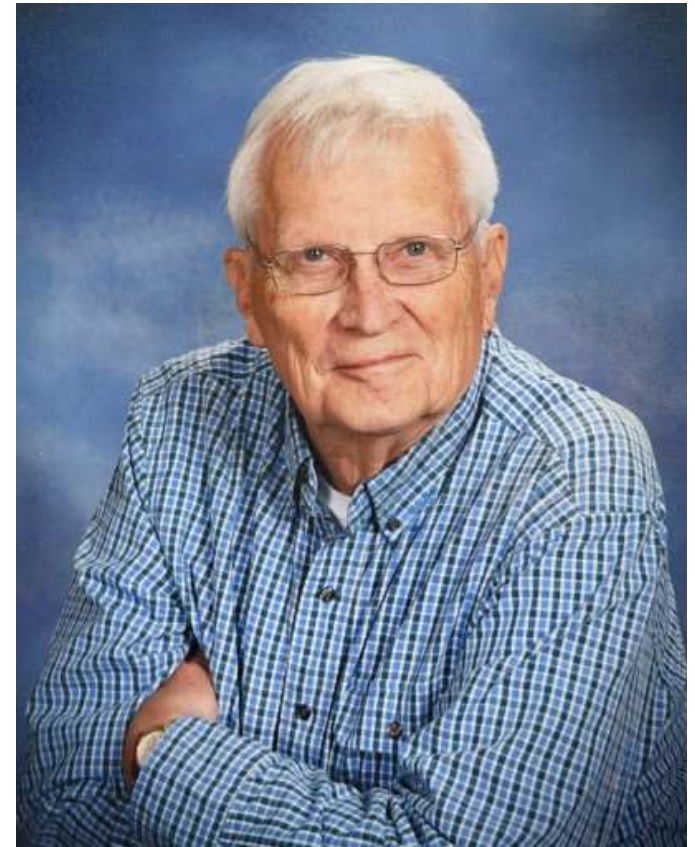
2024

Robert “Bob” Johnson

October 24, 1940 – October 19, 2023

Albert Lea Kiwanis Club

Bob was a proud lifelong resident of Albert Lea and active member of First Lutheran Church. Throughout the years he was a member of the Elks, Jaycees, and Sons of Norway and was still active in the Kiwanis club. He enjoyed his morning coffee, gardening, drives around Albert Lea, the town he loved, and at Myre-Big Island State Park looking for wildlife. Breakfast dates with friends were highlights of his week.



Allen V. Stock

August 30, 1941 – December 25, 2023

Carrington Kiwanis Club

Allen was very active in the community, he rarely missed community and school activities, whether attending or taking photographs. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Kiwanis Club, North Dakota Newspaper Association, Chamber of Commerce, Carrington Lions, Jaycees, Foster County Fair Board. His hobbies included cars, gardening, music, camping and spending time with his family.



Kimberly “Kim” Samuelson

December 20, 1966 – October 24, 2023

Crookston Pioneer Kiwanis Club

In addition to her dedication to her family and business, Kim was deeply committed to serving the community. She supported more organizations than could be listed here, leaving an indelible mark on each one. To sum it up succinctly, she was a large part of everything that made Crookston thrive! Her remarkable generosity and warm-hearted nature will be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.



Judy Fletcher Hinks

April 14, 1945 – November 14, 2023

Deadwood Kiwanis Club

Judy had heart of gold and was always there to lend a hand. She was such a crafty person; don't ever tell her it couldn't be done... LOL. She is up there singing Elvis's songs & dancing. She is going to be deeply missed, I will never forget her laugh. Oh! what an amazing woman of God.

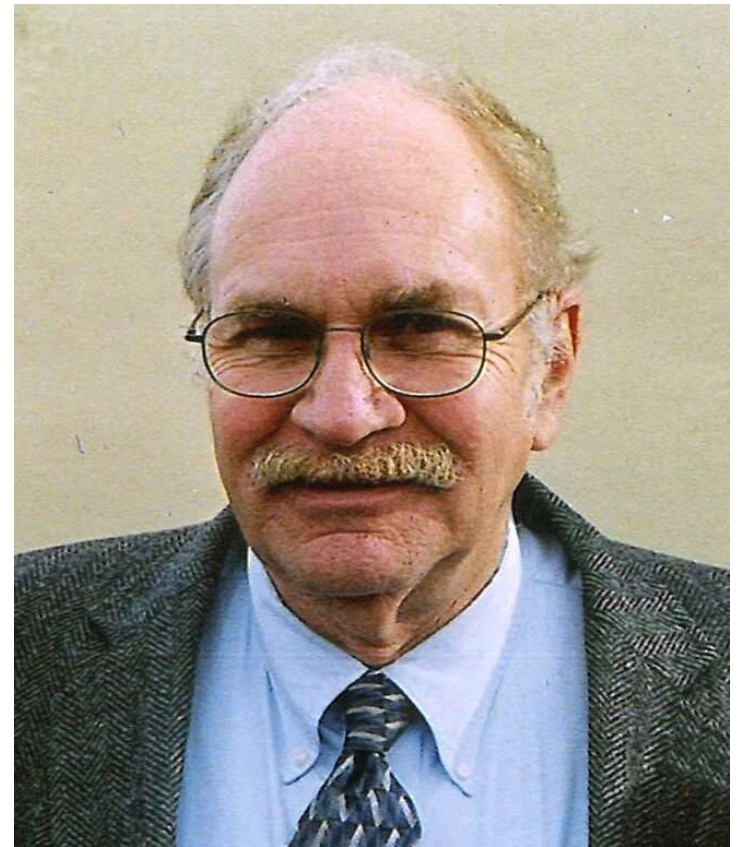


Fred Clark

March 21, 1944 – July 17, 2024

Fargo Rough Riders Kiwanis Club

Fred was an active member, past president of Rough Riders and possessed a can-do attitude. Fred served in the US Army as an infantry officer and pilot in Vietnam. He was attached to the Military Assistance Command & Observation Group and flew 534 missions throughout Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. Although his primary interest was the welfare of his family, he traveled extensively and was involved in many community efforts. In recent years he arranged a project for Rough Riders to redistribute winter clothing left at ski areas throughout the Fargo area.



Mary “Scottie” Miller

October 24, 2024 – September 29, 2023

Fargo Rough Riders Kiwanis Club

Scottie was an accomplished businesswoman. Outside of her professional pursuits, Scottie was an active member of Kiwanis Clubs in Illinois and North Dakota. She wholeheartedly embraced the mission of community service and children's education and contributed to various philanthropic endeavors. Scottie's passion for gardening led her to become a Master Gardener. She hosted our Rough Rider annual Christmas party and other events in her lovely home. She was involved in many ways throughout her life to help the children.



Don Peterson

August 11, 1933 – July 10, 2024

Fargo Rough Riders Kiwanis Club

Don was an active member and Treasurer of Rough Riders for many years. In 1961 Don established the NDSU Computer Center. After 42 years, he retired to enjoy his family and was an avid sports fan. With a smile on his face, he was always ready to volunteer. He loved helping people. He brought a kind and levelheaded presence to our club and always had a Happy Thought to share.

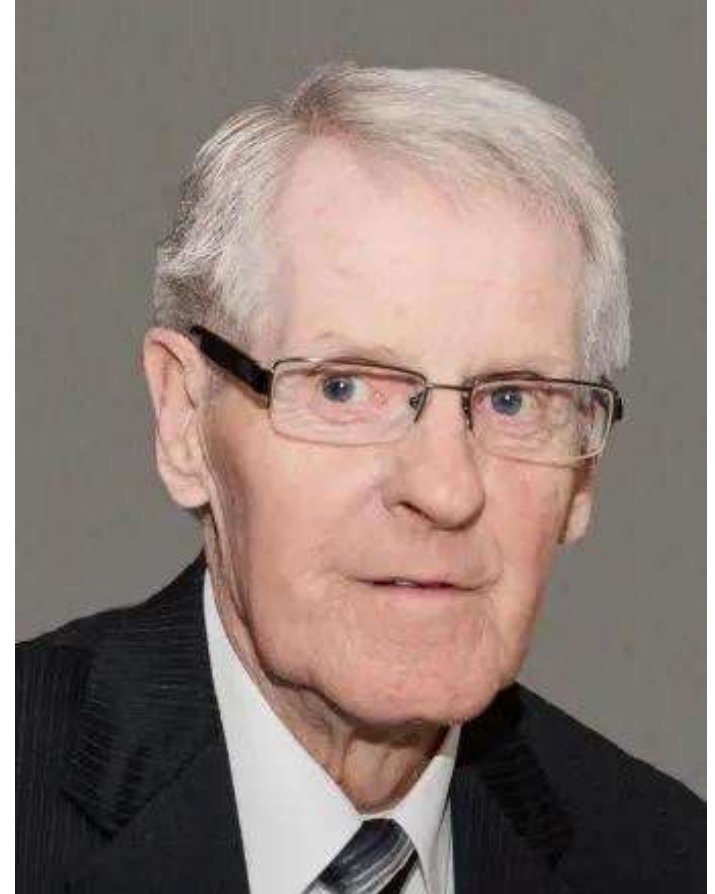


Kenneth “Dale” Artz

February 8, 1936 – July 6, 2024

Hendricks Kiwanis Club

Dale was a member of the Kiwanis Club since 1973 and a board member of Grace United Methodist Church, sports booster for the Hendricks school and a volunteer for Good Shepherd Hospice. Dale received several awards including the Good Samaritan Award for outstanding life-long service in 2004, the Kiwanis Vantine Life Fellow in 2010, and the Lincoln County Outstanding Senior Citizen of the Year Award in 2019. Dale will always be remembered for the way he served those around him.



Donald “Al” Bentz

September 23, 1928 – May 17, 2024

Jamestown Kiwanis Club

Al worked for an advertising company, representing radio and TV stations in several states. He then went to work in the advertising department at KSJB Radio in Jamestown, where he worked for 33 years until his retirement. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club for 48 years, and a proud member of the Church of the Nazarene in Jamestown. He enjoyed painting and playing Bridge.

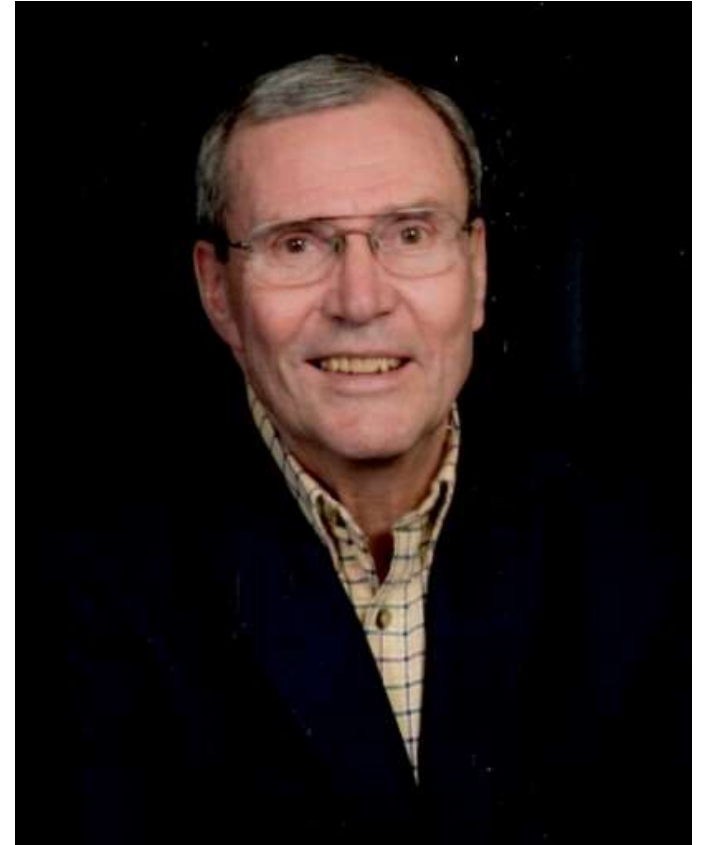


Dwight Cook

December 14, 1951 – January 7, 2024

Mandan Kiwanis Club

Throughout the years Dwight played and coached softball, was a member of the Air National Guard, a member of Kiwanis for 30 years, chaired the Morton County Housing Authority, and started his own business. Throughout his many endeavors he always gave 100%. We will miss his jokes, his laughter, playing pinochle, and his words of wisdom.



James D. Brozik

September 10, 1933 – February 5, 2024

Mankato Kiwanis Club

Jim was initially employed as a teacher in Claremont, then as a salesman for Blue Cross and Farm Bureau of MN, and finally as district manager for Ziebart Rustproofing in Bloomington, where he retired at the age of 60 in 1995. Jim was active in his community by serving at his church as an usher, lector, and Eucharistic server. He found it very rewarding to be active in Kiwanis, KC's, JC's, Vine and was a volunteer for the Mankato Police Department.



Howard Rines

February 19, 1942 – May 23, 2024

North Metro Golden K Kiwanis Club

He had a strong sense of service, volunteering at Centennial United Methodist Church, food shelves, Kiwanis, and helping others any way he could. He had a quiet sense of humor, a bright smile that lit up his eyes, and a great affection for his grandchildren that will leave an enduring legacy. He enjoyed strong friendships with colleagues and his church group, many overlapping, and offered anyone he met a kind smile and an ear

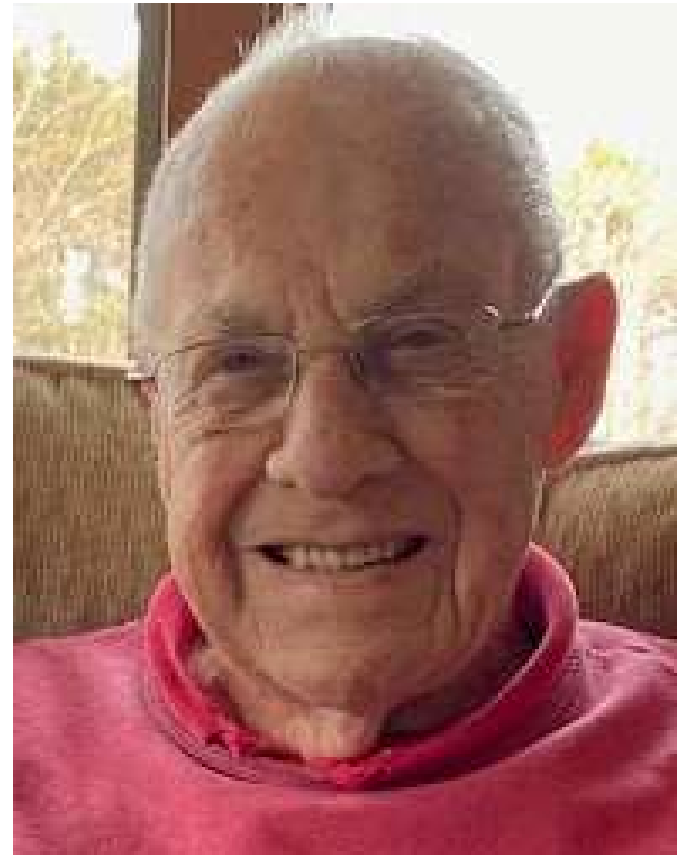


Eugene “Murph” Berg

February 6, 1933 – September 1, 2023

Red Wing Golden K Kiwanis Club

Murph was an avid sports fan. He played fastpitch softball, golfed, and bowled for many years. He is a member of the Freeborn County Hall of Fame for Fastpitch. He also belonged to the Golden K Kiwanis and the Leo C. Peterson American Legion. He was a longtime member of First Lutheran Church where also served as an usher.

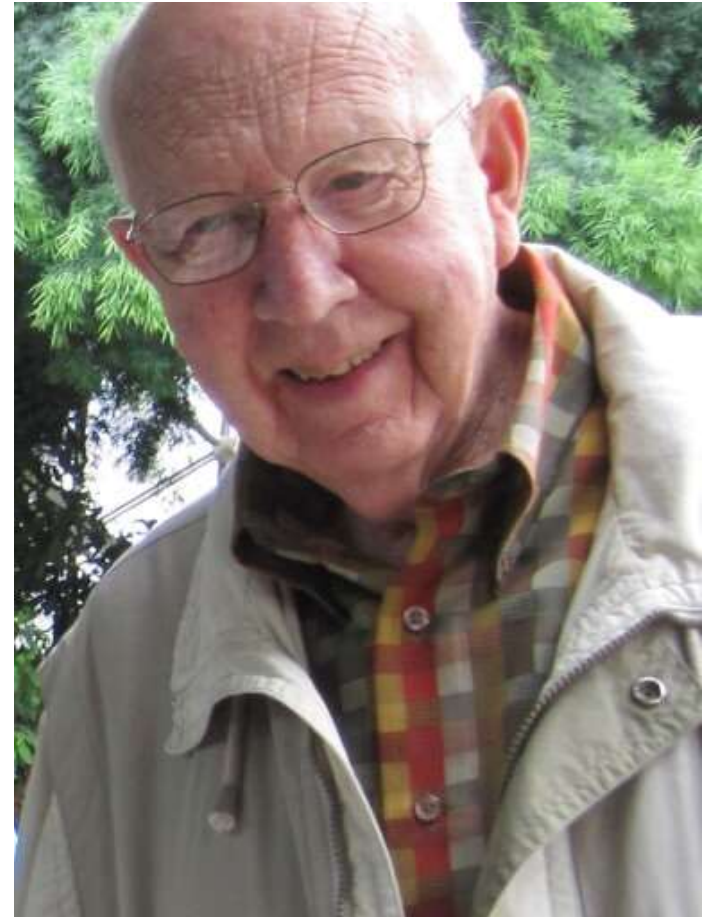


Marius “Roger” Knudtsen

Passing on June 19, 2024 at the age of 99

Red Wing Golden K Kiwanis Club

He was a humble and generous man, who always looked for the good in others. With an unyielding positive outlook and sense of personal responsibility, Roger found success as an independent dairy farmer, merchant marine in World War II, and insurance professional with Lutheran Brotherhood/Thrivent. His deep sense of citizenship often led him to leadership roles in church and civic organizations. In Red Wing, he was a past Congregation President at Concordia Lutheran Church, and a Chapter President of Kiwanis Club.



Ralph Ryan

August 8, 1938 – June 19, 2024

Red Wing Golden K Kiwanis Club

Ralph was a member of the Church of St. Joseph, Knights of Columbus, Red Wing Elks BPOE #845, Leo C. Peterson American Legion Post #54, Red Wing Kiwanis, Red Wing Collectors Society and the USGA. His passion was golfing, and he was a member of the Red Wing Golf Club where he won club champion 10 times. He volunteered for many groups and organizations in Red Wing including, the Sheldon Theatre, Red Wing Area Food Shelf and the City of Red Wing. He was a people person and enjoyed visiting with whomever he met.



Herbert Erickson

August 6, 2024 – March 22, 2024

Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

As a charter member of the Kiwanis Day Makers, he served as President and Lt. Governor for Region 7 of Minnesota-Dakota District and was awarded Distinguished Lt. Governor status for his term. He spent many hours volunteering in support of this organization. Herb said from the beginning they would pack 6 years of living into every year they would be allowed. We, friends and family, believe they did.



Hollis Feeser

February 10, 1929 – August 18, 2023

Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Hollis was active in the YMCA where he served as member of the board of directors. He was an active member of the Y's Men's Club, Camp Olson YMCA, serving on the board of directors for 12 years and as president for 2 years. He was a charter member of the Day Makers Kiwanis Club where he actively served in the leadership of the club, including one term as president. Hollis volunteered at the History Center of Olmsted County, Mayowood and Heritage House Victorian Museum.



Roger Krsnak

April 15, 1950 – June 15, 2024

Rochester Day Makers Kiwanis Club

Roger loved to volunteer. He was an active member of Bethel Lutheran Church and its stewardship team, serving many pancakes and root beer floats over the years. He was also a Rochester Kiwanian for 35 years and an active member of the BSF Men's Fellowship at Autumn Ridge Church. Roger had a kind and gentle spirit with a special love for children. He coached basketball and baseball for all three of his sons and continued coaching for a total of 35 years.



Richard Siepmann

February 15, 1929 – June 4, 2024

Rochester Golden K Kiwanis Club

Dick enjoyed visiting family and friends, golfing, traveling, outdoor grilling, fishing and spending time at the family cabin. He was a 25-year member of Golden K Kiwanis and also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Dick was a long-time parishioner at St. Pius Catholic Church where he served as a money counter and usher for many years. In his later years, Dick's routine included a weekly Sunday group breakfast after mass with good friends and regular attendance at Kiwanis meetings.



Susan K. Brown

July 12, 1938 – October 13, 2023

Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club

Over her career, she was active in various chambers of commerce, speakers, clubs, Kiwanis, and SCORE. She taught church Sunday school to elementary age children and sung in church choirs for many years. Sue played the guitar. In earlier years she was an avid tennis player, and in later years skied, played golf and bicycled with Ross. Sue had an outgoing, positive personality that exuded warmth and kindness, life and love. She was a friend to everybody, especially small children.



Rick A. Hoogendoorn

February 19, 1959 – June 21, 2024

Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club

Rick's zest for life was evident in his many hobbies. He loved riding his Harley across the United States, particularly to the Sturgis Rally, and enjoyed golfing with friends, pheasant hunting, and traveling. Rick was an active member of the South Dakota Trucking Association, serving as a board member and Chairman of the Board. His dedication extended to the community through his involvement with the Downtown Kiwanis Club.



Howard Hodges Maxwell

September 27, 1943 – March 1, 2024

Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club

He attended college at the University of South Dakota and was a graduate of Parson College (Iowa) with a degree in Sociology and K-12 Education. After graduation he taught in the Sioux Falls public school system and then became a small businessman. He was an active member of Kiwanis and Asbury United Methodist Church. He was also an avid golfer and car buff who enjoyed tinkering with his custom “Spartan” Sports car. Howard will be remembered for his out-going personality and his warm sense of humor.



Jan Kay Nicolay

January 4, 1942 – May 18, 2024

Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club

For more than four decades, Jan Nicolay has been a force in education. Her passion was helping kids who faced challenges for one reason or another. Nicolay was the first female high school principal in the city of Sioux Falls, taking the reigns at Washington High in 1987. She would go on to become the principal of the first alternative high school in the city. Nicolay served in the state legislature, where she championed education programs and became the go-to person on any law involving education.



John C Ranek

February 21, 1934 – December 22, 2023

Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club

John dedication to the community and faith was apparent in their involvement. They helped start the Cursillo movement in South Dakota and held numerous leadership positions. Community involvement included membership in the Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club, holding most officer positions, and serving as Lt. Governor in Eastern South Dakota. He volunteered and ushered at the Washington Pavilion. His hobbies included photography and travel, having visited all but one state and an impressive 28 countries.



Lois Arlene Schroder

October 10, 1940 – August 17, 2023

Sioux Falls Kiwanis Club

Lois and Chuck also loved going out for dinner together and oftentimes would celebrate holidays and anniversaries at their favorite restaurants. She loved her children and grandchildren with all her heart, and nothing made her happier than when she could attend all their activities until she was unable to do so. Some of the other things she enjoyed to do was going to the casino and to Las Vegas with her girls. One of Lois's passions was supporting Chuck in his many years of service in Kiwanis

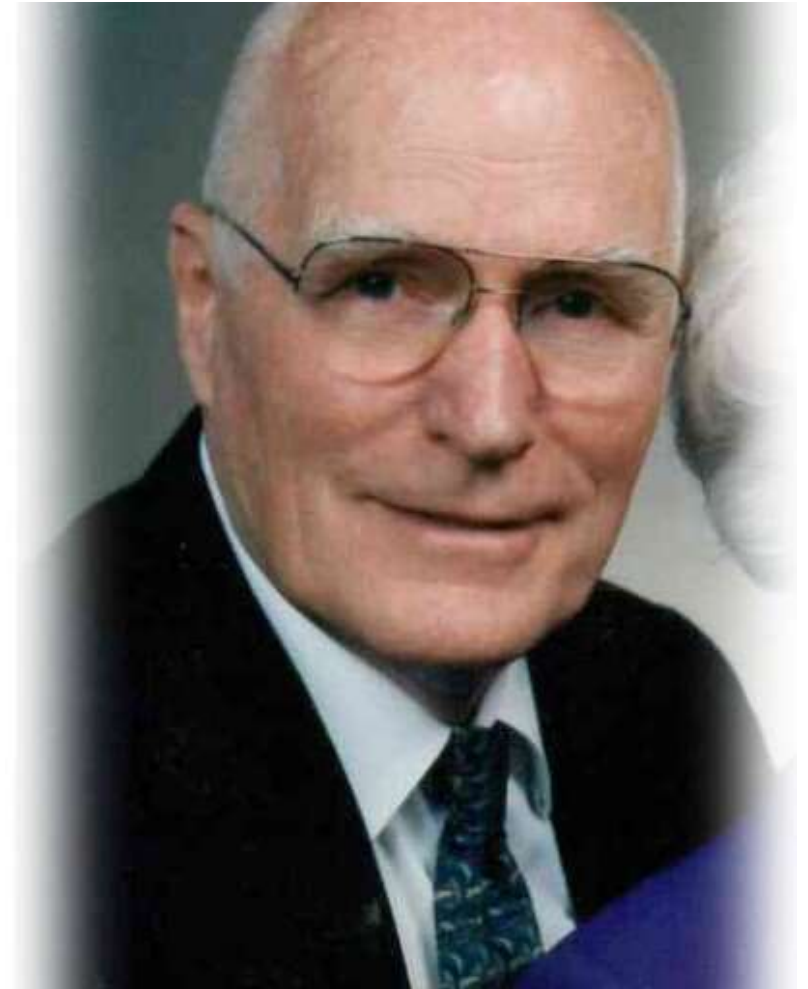


Elwood Geiger

August 10, 1925 – March 15, 2024

Spearfish Kiwanis Club

Elwood's favorite hobbies included sailing, traveling, and reading. He maintained an enviable memory well into advanced years. In 2003 he moved with his wife and daughter to South Dakota, where he joined and volunteered with the Spearfish Kiwanis Club until his health began to decline. He passed away on March 15, 2024 at the Rolling Hills Healthcare Center in Belle Fourche. Survivors include his daughter, Amy and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his wife.



Howard Warren Langemo

January 7, 1926 – March 27, 2024

Valley City Kiwanis Club

He was a seventy-three-year active Kiwanis Club member. Howard enjoyed his projects at the Barnes County Museum and his time at VCSU athletic events. He was an avid wood worker making beautiful doll houses, wood wagons, Viking ships, along with thousands of Christmas ornaments which were joyfully given to others. Bridge and cribbage card games, Sudoku and crossword puzzles were other favorite past times. Over his entire life he enjoyed staying close to his loving Heavenly Father through Bible studies. He had a great sense of humor, articulate with words, humble, kind, caring, served others with joy, always looking out for others before himself. He loved having time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren!

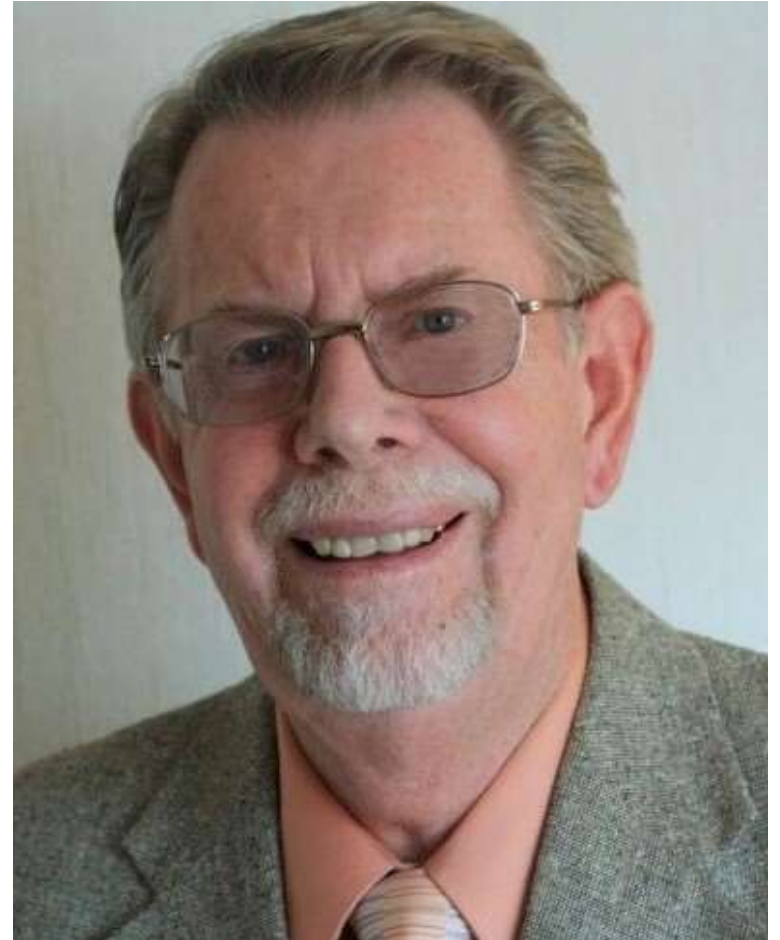


Curtis “Curt” I. Hagness

April 1, 1939 – July 19, 2024

Vikingland Kiwanis Club

For over 40 years, Curt was a history teacher, coach, and mentor to many kids. He continued his service to his country as part of the Army Reserves. He spent 37 years at Oak Grove and coached football and track for many of those years. His dedication was unwavering when it came to the kids he taught and coached. Curt retired from Oak Grove in 2002 and in 2011, he was inducted into the Oak Grove Hall of Fame. After retirement, Curt enjoyed getting together with his breakfast group at the Frying Pan, and his Wednesday morning Kiwanis group. He loved attending anything that involved Oak Grove or Concordia College.



Rebecca “Becky” Weber

June 13, 1991 – April 1, 2024

Watertown Kiwanis Club

Moving back to Watertown in 2019 she was excited to become involved in the Community. She joined Kiwanis and is currently serving as treasurer; she is on the boards for Watertown Excite and the Watertown Boys and Girls Club. She continued to support Watertown Debate by helping judge on weekends. She also volunteered her time with the Codington County 4-H. She was one of the organizers for the Watertown Puzzle Party – helping our community complete the world’s largest puzzle in 2023. Most recently she was one of 11 finalists for the Top 4 under 40 for the Day of Development.

