

Service to God, Family



Community and Country



He never looked for praises
He was never one to boast
He went on quietly working
For those he loved the most.

His dreams were seldom spoken
His wants were very few
And most of the time his worries
They went unspoken to.

He was there... a firm foundation
Through all our storms of life
A sturdy hand to hold to
In times of stress and strife.

A true friend we could turn to
When times were good or bad
One of our greatest blessings,
The man that we called Dad.

*The family would like to thank Diamond Care Center and
Compassionate Care Hospice for their care of Marvin.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Marvin Lewis Hoffer
March 9, 1930 - August 28, 2017

FUNERAL SERVICE

Saturday, September 2, 2017 2:00 P.M.
First Presbyterian Church Mitchell, South Dakota

OFFICIATING

Pastor Rebecca Gresham-Kesner

MUSICAL SELECTIONS

“Amazing Grace” “How Great Thou Art”
“The Old Rugged Cross”
Organist, Marlys Sprang

CASKET BEARERS

Daniel Kindt	Brad Farrar
Clint Farrar	Paul Kindt
Clarence Hermanson	Bryce Koellner
Damon Kindt	Christopher Cantin

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

All of Marvin’s Mason and Shriner Friends

MASONIC RITES

Resurgam Lodge #31 Mitchell, South Dakota

INTERMENT

Green Hill Cemetery Alexandria, South Dakota

MILITARY HONORS

Campbell-Timmerman American Legion Post #115
Platte, South Dakota

*In remembrance, please turn on your headlights
during the procession to the cemetery.*



*Mount Funeral Home is honored
to be assisting the Hoffer family.*

Marvin Lewis Hoffer was born on March 9, 1930 in Reliance, SD to Mike and Edith (Harmon) Hoffer, joining a brother, Ronald and a sister, Wilma. At a young age, the family relocated to Presho, where Marvin attended Presho High School, excelled in sports and graduated in 1948.

While living in Presho, he met the love of his life, Carol Grace Cross. They were married on October 29, 1950 and were blessed with five children.

Being of service to his country and community was of utmost importance to Marvin. He served his country in the US Army during the Korean War, returning home with a rank of Corporal.

Upon his return from the service, the Hoffer's moved to Winner where Marvin finished his enlistment through the Winner National Guard. He worked at Winner Gas & Electric and eventually ran his own business, P&H Electric. He joined the Winner Post Office in 1961 as a substitute mail carrier. In 1978, he was appointed Postmaster in Bonesteel and officer in charge of the Tyndall Post Office. In 1981, he received the appointment as Platte Postmaster, where he worked until his retirement in 1992 after 31 years with the US Postal Service.

After retiring from the US Postal Service, along with his wife, Carol, Marvin became an owner/proprietor of MarCar Enterprises, a candy/vending business. MarCar was derived from combining Marvin and Carol's names.

Marvin was a member of the Winner United Methodist Church, proudly serving in many capacities. Upon moving to Platte, Marvin and Carol joined the Olive Presbyterian Church where he was an elder and served on various church committees.

While living in Platte, Marvin was instrumental in bringing the Lyric Theater to the community, as well as serving on the Museum board, assisting with the relocation and upgrading of the museum.

Marvin loved giving of himself and was affiliated with many organizations that served and assisted others. He served on the Self Development of People National Committee for five years traveling to Haiti, El Salvador, Costa Rica and other places to set up grants for training camps. He worked to bring the SDCHIP (South Dakota Child Identification Program) to Platte. SDCHIP is an initiative of the Masons to gather standardized information and fingerprints of children in order to provide Law Enforcement with important tools to assist in the speedy and safe recovery of missing children.

Throughout his life, Marvin was a member and officer in many fraternal organizations: 35 year Mason where he held all offices at a local level, including District Master and reached the level of 32nd Degree Mason, Big Bend Shriner's Club, Eastern Star, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. He was the South Dakota State President for NAPUS (National Association of Postmasters of the United States) and a 50-year member of the American Legion.

In addition to serving his church, his community and his country, Marvin loved playing cards, Farkle and other board games, spending time with his family and hand-cranking homemade ice cream. He and Carol enjoyed square dancing and hosting card parties. He always had a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his face.

Marvin Lewis Hoffer, 87, of Bridgewater, SD, formerly of Platte, SD passed to his eternal rest on Monday, August 28, 2017 at the Diamond Care Center in Bridgewater surrounded by his family.

Remembered by those who loved him: four children: Marcia (Terry) Kindt of Mitchell, SD, Karla (Greg) Farrar of Hurley, SD, Darrel (Gloria) Hoffer of North Glen, CO and Leyna (Jeff) Hoffer of Eagan, MN; a special friend, Colette Van Hecke of Ethan, SD; nine grandchildren: Rebecca (Clarence) Hermanson, Dan (Chelsey) Kindt, Paul (Samantha) Kindt, Brad (Allison) Farrar, Jessica (Jim) Haneke, Clint Farrar, Zach Dietz, Christopher (Crystal) Cantin and Alex Hoffer; 18 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and "honorary" children.

Those who have gone before: his wife of 54 years, Carol (Cross) Hoffer (June 8, 2005); a son, Marvin Curtis Hoffer; grandson, Donald Kindt; his parents, Mike and Edith Hoffer; sister, Wilma Meyer; brother, Ronald Hoffer; and in-laws, Lloyd and Lorraine Cross.

Memorials in Marvin's honor may be directed to: Shriners Hospitals for Children, Office of Development, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607 or First Presbyterian Church, 500 East 5th Ave., Mitchell, SD 57301.

Expressions of sympathy may be extended to the family through mountfuneralhome.com.

Aloha!



*A hui hou kakou
(Till we meet again)*