

JOSEPH M. EBERLE

Joseph M. Eberle, 64, Hague, died June 29, 1997, in the Ashley hospital. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Hague, with the Rev. Leonard Eckroth officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery, with military rites by Linton American Legion. Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. today at Myers Funeral Home, Linton, and will continue at the church one hour before services. A rosary will be said at 8 tonight at the funeral home.

Joseph was born Sept. 25, 1932, on a farm northeast of Hague, the son of Michael and Magdalene (Hulm) Eberle. He attended rural school. He entered the U.S. Army, Jan. 14, 1954. He was discharged in 1956 and returned to Hague. On June 18, 1957, he married Viola Miller at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Hague. They lived in Hague, where he worked as a mechanic at Eberle Motors. In 1960 they moved to a farm three miles northwest of Hague. They farmed there for 27 years. They moved into Hague in 1987.

He was a life member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, where he served on the parish council. He was a member of Knights of Columbus Third and Fourth Degree, Linton American Legion, and served on Hague and Emmons Central school boards. Joseph loved farming, toy tractors and fishing with his family. His grandchildren were a great joy to him. He is survived by his wife, Viola; nine sons and five daughters-in-law, Tom and Andrea, and William and Connie, all of Bismarck, Don and Laura, John and Heidi, Michael, Peter, Paul and Matthew, all of Hague, and Steven and DeeAnn, Strasburg; six daughters and five sons-in-law, Janet and Gary Gerhardt, Patricia and Mark Becker, Michele Eberle, and Deborah and Steve Salwei, all of Bismarck, Mary and Tony Vetter, Alexandria, Minn., and Beverly and Eric Johnson, Hayfield, Minn.; 20 grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; his mother, Magdalene, Linton; four brothers, Walter, Mike and Martin, all of Spokane, Wash., and Rodney, Hague; and five sisters. Rose Silvernagel, Billings, Mont., Barbara Schmaltz and Marietta Brophy, both of Spokane, Linda Vetter, Wahpeton, and Elaine Wikenheiser, Linton. He was preceded in death by his father, Michael; and one son, Luke.

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