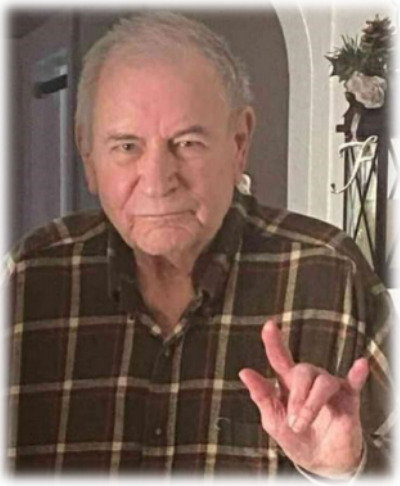


Arnold Selmar Fonder

April 29, 1939 – May 3, 2025

On Saturday May 3rd, Arnold Selmar Fonder 86 of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota passed peacefully at home surrounded by family and his 4 cats. Preceded in death by his father , mother, stepfather, sisters Joan(Laverne) Mass, Ramona (Alex) Balogi, Janet (Grant) Canfield, Yvonne (Roger) Schneider, brother Jerry Fonder, Sister in-law Carole Fonder, 5 nephews and 2 nieces.



Survived by Brothers Lenard, Donald (Diane), sister in-law Coral Fonder, many, many nieces, nephews and cousins.



Arnold was born in Sisseton, South Dakota on April 29, 1939 to Glen and Elsie Fonder. Arnie attended South Dakota School for the Deaf. He was active in Football, Basketball and Track.

After graduating in 1959, he moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where he started working at Onan Corp then got a job at Tennant where he worked 25+ years and retired. Arnie loved his cats, traveling the world and being around his family. He spread joy, happiness and Love wherever he went.

There will not be a service per his request.

Arnold will be buried at Calvary Cemetery in Browns Valley, Minnesota with his parents. A small celebration of life picnic with family will take place at a later date.



1957-1958 SDSD Basketball season

Standing from L to R: James Still, Russ O'Neill, Arnold Fonder, Dennis Hoppe, Ken Merrill, Coach Henry Bjorlie Jr., John Dykstra, Ken Herrick, Arnold Stevens, Darrell White Eagle, and Dennis Smith.
Kneeling: Robert Carl, manager.