



## Herman Meier

August 3, 1926 - October 5, 2019

Herman Meier, 93, of Chancellor, SD, died Saturday, October 5, 2019 at the Lennox Good Samaritan Center, under hospice care.

Herman Louis Ferdinand Meier was born on August 3, 1926, at Butler, MN, the son of Ferdinand and Millie (Bessler) Meier. He grew up attending school in Butler, MN and eastern North Dakota. He left home at the age of nine and then lied about his age to enlist in the US Navy at age 16. He served aboard the Naval Destroyer USS Bristol, in the South Pacific, specifically Japan, during WWII, until his honorable discharge in 1946. Herman earned his GED and after his military service earned degrees in biology and art from Concordia College in Moorhead, MN, where he was an outstanding athlete on the ski team and became captain of the football team. He went on to teach biology, art and physical education in the public school system.

Herman was united in marriage to Jean Wetteland, at Audubon, MN. The couple made their home in Felton, MN, Bagley, MN, Hutchinson, MN and Detroit Lakes, MN. Wife, Jean died in 2009. Herman moved to Chancellor, SD to be close to his two sons.

Herman was a charter member of the Christ the King Lutheran Church in Hutchinson, MN and currently belonged to Trinity Lutheran Church, Tea. He was a talented artist who not only enjoyed creating art through painting, carving and sculpture, but loved to share his art work with family and friends. Besides his parents and wife Jean, Herman was preceded in death by six siblings.

Grateful for having shared his life are his two sons: Richard Meier, Sioux Falls and Phil (Christie) Meier, Chancellor; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren: Erin (Matthew) Karlgaard, Benjamin & Elijah, Emily Meier (Brent Langston) & Paige Meier, Seth (Holly) Meier & Clara, Anna (Kyle) Svennungsen, Odin & Espen, Anders (Molly) Meier, Penny & Trygre; one brother and two sisters, as well as other relatives and friends.

Memorial services will begin at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 19 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Tea, SD, with visitation beginning one hour prior to the service.

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ Last year I spent a lot of time trying to find Mr. Herman Meier... my art teacher from seventh to twelfth grade back in the late 50's to 1962. Spelling the last name would have been so helpful. On June 5th, 2019, I finally wrote a letter to Bagley School with a small donation in honor of Mr. Meier. I don't know if anyone contacted the family, which would have been nice, since Mr Meier was still alive and would have found out how much I appreciated his teaching and the impact on my life.

*He was a wonderful teacher and instilled a sense of value and honesty to his instructions. Reading about his life gives me some insight on why he was insistent that the future mattered, I mattered, and the need to focus and study was mandatory.*

*I am sad this could not have been said to him in person. I am sad for your lost. But so happy for you to have had him as a father and happy to have been a student of his.*

*Wishing the family peace and wonderful memories...*

*Dorie Rae Gallagher*

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**DORIE RAE GALLAGHER** - March 15, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ We have been so wondering about Herman, I just talked to someone at church this morning who works with Erin's husband. She gave me Erin's phone # but I hadn't called her yet when Sy pulled up Herman's obit on the computer. We are sorry we lost contact with your family.. Herman and Jean were great friends of ours in Bagley and Hutchinson. We also used to visit them in DL, but somehow lost track. Sorry. Geri and Sy Berezni

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**Sy and Geri Berezni** - December 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Iâ€™m saddened to read of his passing. He was my art teacher in HS. It was his encouragement that led me to study art in college. May God surround you with his love during this time.

Suzi Franzen Hansen - October 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Oh, Me. Meier! You were the most wonderful and kind AV man in the world! I loved you and you made my high school experience so much better! Thank you for your care and guidance AND for your lovely family! My sympathies to my pal, Phil and all the Meier family.

Corinne Johnson - October 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Phil and family, I am sorry to hear about the passing of your father. Prayers for comfort and peace. Joy Sanken Larson

Joy Sanken Larson - October 18, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ My sincere condolences to the entire Meier family! What a sad lossâ€” and what a legacy Herman has left! May God grant all of you peace and healing at this time.

Diane Larsen - October 15, 2019 at 12:00 AM