



Lyle L. Thelen

February 10, 1945 - April 8, 2026

CREIGHTON – Memorial service for Lyle Lawrence Thelen, 81, of Creighton, will be held at 2:00 PM, Saturday, April 18, 2026 at the Christ Lutheran Church in Bazile Mills, NE. Officiating the service will be Pastor Justin Hildebrand. Inurnment will take place at the Christ Lutheran Church Cemetery in Bazile Mills. In lieu of flowers please make memorial donations to the Church. Lyle died on Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at the Avera Creighton Care Center in Creighton. Stonacek Memorial Chapel in Pierce is in charge of the arrangements.

Lyle was born on February 10, 1945 in Bloomfield, NE to Harold and Edna (Beckman) Thelen. He attended First Trinity Lutheran School through 8th grade. He then attended Bloomfield High School. On August 2, 1969 he married Elaine Forman at First Trinity Lutheran Church in Bloomfield. Lyle owned and worked in a body shop in Pierce, Ne and then drove truck for many different companies. Lyle enjoyed hunting, fishing and trapping. Lyle and Elaine took care of many young children.

He is survived by his sisters Janice Kirschenman of Yankton, SD, Norma (Lyle) McDonald of Plainview, and Ruth Ann (Dave) Sullivan, of Yankton, SD, sister-in-law Linda Thelen of Norfolk, sister-in-law Betty (Kevin) Boggs of Verdigre, sister-in-law Noreen Conrad of Norfolk, brother-in-law Don (Connie) Forman of Verdigre, brother-in-law Jerome (Sandra) Forman of Verdigre,

brother-in-law James (Kathy) Forman of O'Neill, brother-in-law Dennis Forman of Verdigre, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Lyle was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Elaine (passed away July 12, 2016), his brother Merl, nephews Darwin McDonald and David Svatos, brothers-in-law Doyle McDonald, Dale Kirschenman, and Michael Conrad, and sister-in-law Norma Ann Forman.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Christ Lutheran Cemetery

101 Bazile Main St.,
Bazile Mills, NE 68789

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

APR 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

Christ Lutheran Church - Bazile Mills
G36Q+HC
Bazile Mills, NE 68729

Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest condolences to the entire extended family and friends! Such a nice man!* ”



Brian Schlote - April 14 at 08:20 AM

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“ *2 files added to the tribute wall* ”



Renee forman - April 14 at 12:40 AM

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“ *Andrew and Heather Schmidt purchased the Sm all Garden Dish for the family of Lyle L. Thelen.* ”



Andrew and Heather Schmidt - April 12 at 09:56 AM

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Renee Forman - April 11 at 08:29 PM