

## Remembering Russell

Russell Wyatt, born June 20, 1926 to Lyston and Fern (Tillotson) Wyatt, Cascade, South Dakota, went to be with his Lord and Savior on September 8, 2025.

Russell helped construct Angostura Dam, farmed and ranched at Oral, sold real estate, with his slogan being "Selling the Land of Infinite Variety," and ultimately, became a farm/ranch/home appraiser. Russell was a long term member of the Professional Appraiser Association of South Dakota and American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers. He retired from that career at the age of 94. Russell was a South Dakota man through and through and a gospel-loving man.

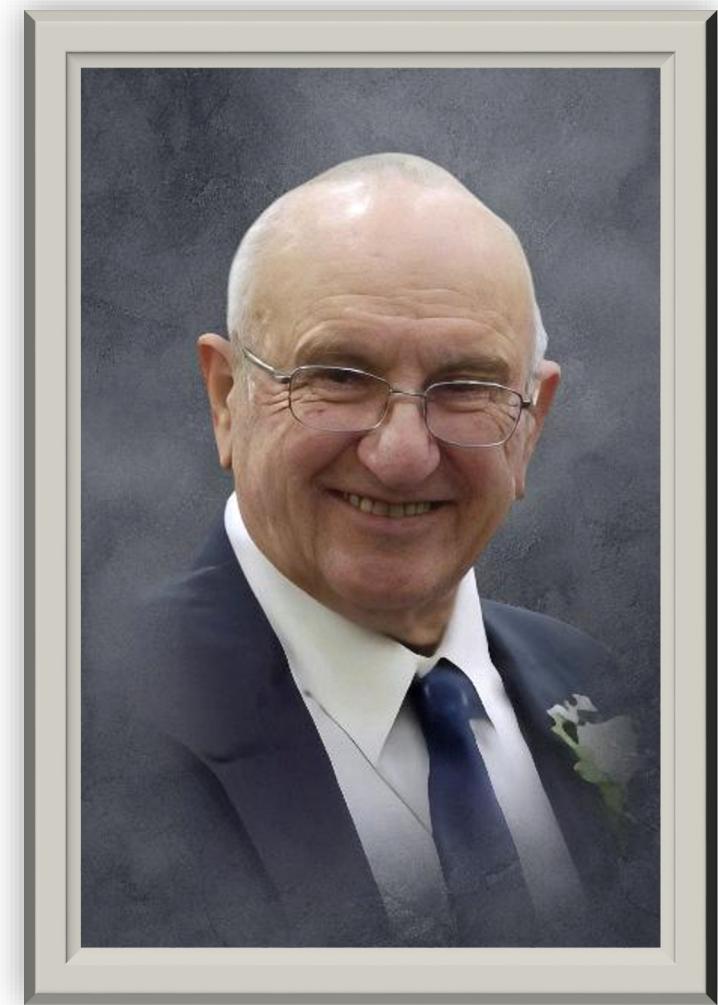
Details of his life are contained in two locally available books he wrote, *The Farmer Goes to Town* and *The Farmer Marries the City Girl*, the latter co-authored with his wife. Russell made numerous enduring contributions to the betterment of Fall River County. His commitment to the preservation of local history will leave a permanent mark in the community and the hearts and minds of all who knew and loved him.

Left behind are Betty, his wife of 62 years, his children, Jerry (Jeanne) Wyatt, Peggy (Russ) Sanders, Audrey (Steve) Shrive and Patrick Wyatt; four grandchildren, Julie (Bob) Stahly, Jolene (Aaron) Curry, Carl (Kari) Sanders, Neil (Cris) Sanders; His great-grandchildren Megan, Kyle and Ray Sanders; Grace Stahly, Jenna and Wyatt Curry, and Amy, Abby, Luke, Ashley, and Anne Sanders. All have fond memories of him, usually involving stories about farming over the years. He is also survived by his brother, LeRoy (Rae) Wyatt, sister-in-law Dorothy Wyatt, nephews Steve Wyatt, Allan Wyatt, and Craig Wyatt, and nieces Vicki Davison, Carlene Lang and Celeste Lee. His legacy will continue to live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his brother Harold Wyatt and first wife Oleta (Harley) Wyatt.

Arrangements have been placed in the care of  
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

# In Loving Memory



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1926-2025

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June 20, 1926—September 8, 2025

Hot Springs, South Dakota Hot Springs, South Dakota

## John 3:3

*Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”*

## VISITATION

4:00—6:00 P.M., Thursday, September 11, 2025  
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

## MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

May be made to the Pioneer Museum, P.O. Box 361  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

## FUNERAL SERVICE

10:00 A.M., Friday, September 12, 2025  
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

## SERVICE OFFICIANTS

Rev. Dr. J. Edwin Coates  
Rev. Dirk Jasperse

## MUSICAL SELECTIONS

“My Savior First of All”  
“It is Well”

“The Eastern Gate”

*Soloist: Julie Kleinsasser Aughenbaugh*

## PALLBEARERS

Russ Sanders, Carl Sanders, Neil Sanders  
Meagan Sanders, Kyle Sanders, Ray Sanders  
Wyatt Curry & Grace Stahly

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Julie Stahly, Jolene Curry, Jenna Curry  
Kari Sanders, Amy Sanders, Kelvin Lorenz, Trixie Grill  
Pete Reynolds & Greg Wittenberg

## LUNCHEON

Following the service at United Churches  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

## COMMITAL SERVICES

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hot Springs, South Dakota