

Gerald "Jerry" Grohs, age 82, passed away peacefully at home on August 26, 2026, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on July 16, 1944, in Graceville, MN, the son of Joseph and Ethel (Ostermann) Grohs. He grew up in Wheaton, MN, and graduated from Wheaton High School in 1962. He began working for a road construction crew on May 14, 1964, and just two days later, on May 16, he married the love of his life, Avis Hormann. Together they raised four children and shared 62 years of marriage. Jerry was a hardworking man who took great pride in providing for his family. He worked for MN DOT for 30 years, retiring in 2004. Jerry raised livestock on a hobby farm throughout the years. During his retirement years, he assisted his son-in-law with farming—as recently as the spring of 2026. Jerry enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren and treasured the many family gatherings, sporting events and hunting expeditions. He also enjoyed fishing, gardening, golfing, horses and spending time at the cabin on Lake Traverse. He enjoyed a good visit and had a knack for striking up a conversation with just about anyone. Jerry will be remembered for his strong work ethic and willingness to lend a hand. His grandchildren had a way of bringing out his tender heart. He leaves behind a lifetime of memories and will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing and loving him.

He is survived by his wife, Avis, and his children, nine grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren, including Becky (Jeff) Boom of Wheaton, MN, and their family: Jamie Clasemann (Aubrey and Tayben); Brandie (Riley) Maanum (Ridley, Loren and Arlie); and Brittany (Steve) Boom-Bohne. Sandra (Dennis) Kashmark of Alexandria, MN, and their family: Gavyn (Elizabeth) Ketterling (Brynn and Henley); Beau (Nicole) Kashmark (Kora, Xavier and Hazel); and Dakotah (Robin) Viktora-Kashmark (Daisy). Julie (Brent) Seifert of Stuart, FL, and their daughters, Grace and Emma Seifert. Brian (Maggie) Grohs of Watertown, SD, and their son, Bentley Grohs. Jerry is also survived by his sister Carol (Jim) Mader and brothers: Larry Grohs, Rich Grohs, Steve Grohs, Dan Grohs, David Grohs and Kevin (Dawn) Grohs; sisters-in-law: Rita Leppanen, Ione Reynolds, and Shirley Hormann; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his infant son, Edward; parents; grandparents; brother, Joel Grohs; and numerous brothers and sisters-in-law.



In lieu of acknowledgement cards being sent, a donation in Jerry's name will be given locally.

In Loving Memory Of



Gerald "Jerry" Peter Grohs

July 16, 1944 ~ August 26, 2026



Three Daughters & A Son

Just a few lines about my wife
and some of the part she had in my life.

We weren't even fifteen when she caught my eye,
who would have thought it to be a life long tie.

We dated most of our high school days, and
a couple more years of our very young life,
and that's when I asked her to be my wife.

Before we had even two years together,
there were two little girls to love and treasure.

As we went along, working each day,
a third little girl came our way.



We talked a few times if three girls was our joy
and decided just one more try for a baby boy.

What more could I ask for, we were both so young,
That precious lady gave me
Three Daughters and a Son.

-Jerry Grohs



In Loving Memory Of Gerald "Jerry" Peter Grohs

Date of Birth
July 16, 1944

Entered Into Rest
August 26, 2026

Memorial Mass
2:00 PM, September 2, 2026

Ave Maria Catholic Church - Wheaton, Minnesota

Celebrant
Fr. John Paul Knopik

Organist
Cindy Sanasack

Special Music
Ave Maria Catholic Church Choir

Urn Bearer
Bentley Grohs

Eulogy
Dan Grohs & Brandie Maanum

Honorary Urn Bearers
Jerry's Grandchildren

Lectors
Robin Viktora-Kashmark
& Jim Mader

Gift Bearers
Brynn and Henley Ketterling
& Ridley Maanum

Burial
St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery - Dumont, Minnesota (at a later date)

