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Hazel Lindquist

July 7, 1931 - Dec. 29, 2023

Pauline enjoyed cooking and baking, gardening, and trips to the casino. She always had a beautiful yard. She also loved spending time with her sisters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Kathy Jerome

Oct. 3, 1958 - Dec. 31, 2023

Kathy competed in many horse shows and was said to have the fastest horse around. She was also part of the Garrison Rodeo Club, played the piano and organ in church, and could crack out a crossword puzzle like nobody's business.



Wanda Mulligan

Aug. 7, 1939 - Jan. 9, 2024

Wanda enjoyed travel and experiences she had being an Air Force wife. She was a wonderful cook and baker and loved sharing her meals with family and friends. She was also an avid gardener, enjoying this hobby with her husband.



Elinor West

Sept. 25, 1925 - Jan. 11, 2024

Elinor worked in nursing positions in ND, MN, and OR, retiring in 1983. She enjoyed reading, knitting, sewing, bicycling and gardening.



John Garcia

Aug. 23, 1963 - Jan. 17, 2024

John had a great laugh, and everyone who knew him can still hear exactly what it sounded like. He was an All-Star wrestler, football player and track and field runner. He was half the size of other athletes, but twice the talent.



Donald Iglehart

Nov. 30, 1931 - Jan. 20, 2024

Donald was a pioneer of no-till farming, a 4-H leader, and a school board member for nine years at GHS. He enjoyed spending his time hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, playing cards, bowling, making jerky, and having fish frys.



Wayne White Bear

Sept. 17, 1949 - Jan. 21, 2024

"Tex" enjoyed supporting all his children and grandchildren in sports, concerts and other celebrations. He was presented an award from White Shield School for being a great supporter of the sporting events for all his relatives.



Carol Hill

Nov. 2023

Carol started school in a one-room schoolhouse and often traveled to and from on horseback. She was an accomplished horse rider and trainer, musician and loved a wide variety of puzzles.



Margaret Zaderaka

Dec. 4, 1939 - Jan. 24, 2024

Margaret enjoyed sewing, traveling, knitting, crocheting, gardening, and attending her grandchildren's activities. She also had a passion for playing the piano and continued playing during her lifetime, often playing for Somerset residents.



Elvis Kerzmann

Dec. 2, 1970 - Feb. 3, 2024

Elvis worked at the bakery in Garrison and enjoyed working with his dad on roofs. He was a jack-of-all-trades. He moved to Minot where he met the love of his life, Terri Ensz.



Beverly Emil

1936 - Feb. 9, 2024

Beverly's passion was Easter Egg Hunts, updating the library and raising money for her church. She was a voracious reader, and her Bible shows the wear of daily reading. She also took full advantage of eating ice cream every day, one of her favorite things.



George & Marian Enyeart

George taught each of his four girls endless skills including how to garden, grind sausage, punch a nail, pitch a tent, load a gun, and bait a hook.

Marion was a teacher and involved in many activities.



Claryce Johnson

Jan. 2, 1930 - Feb. 16, 2024

Traveling was an important part of her life. Family vacation to the Black Hills, Canada, and other states filled two weeks every summer. During retirement, she spent winters in the Southwest and Turquoise was her jewelry of choice.



Larry Kragh

1943 - Feb. 22, 2024

Larry was a great softball player into his 50s, a great bowler into his 70s, a good golfer into his 80s, and an average fisherman his whole life. His accolades in bowling were unparalleled, placing him in both the state and city Hall of Fame.



Wayne Wollmuth

Feb. 23, 2024

Wayne ended each night with a glass of whiskey. As we celebrate his life, we ask that you pour yourself a glass, point to the sky, and give three cheers to a man that fought hard and lived life to the fullest. Friends and family were in awe of his spirit and determination.



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Constance Martinson
May 6, 1927 - Feb. 25, 2024

Constance was active in the Dickens Festival and volunteered at the Norsk Hostfest for many years. She loved to read, bake, sew and maintain her many flower and vegetable gardens.



Doris Landon
Dec. 20, 1924 - Feb. 28, 2024

Doris enjoyed taking an active part in farm work, and she had a bountiful garden and canned numerous quarts of fruit and vegetables each fall. She also belonged to a bowling league in Parshall for a time.



Duane Betz
Dec. 11, 1938 - Feb. 29, 2024

Duane enlisted in the U.S Army in 1960 and was honorably discharged in 1966 and was awarded a Good Conduct Medal. He was also honored with a Quilt of Honor during his Veteran Pinning. The quilt was made by Corpus Christi Caring Hearts Quilt Guild.



Lorraine Seidler
Feb. 13, 1933 - Mar. 10, 2024

Lorraine enjoyed quilting, making quilts for her grandchildren, gardening and canning many fruits and vegetables for the long winter. She was also an avid pie baker, and loved to spend time with her family, especially her sister Lenora.



Orlen Sayler
Oct. 21, 1923

Orlen served as a council member at the First Congregational Church in Dickinson. He also enjoyed gardening and sporting events.



Larry Halvorson
Dec. 28, 1956 - Mar. 13, 2024

Larry graduated from White Shield. He took over the family farm and ran it until about five years ago. He was a loving father, husband, dependable neighbor and friend.



Delfine Wiedrich
Oct. 7, 1924 - Mar. 23, 2024

Delfine was a homemaker and farmer. She enjoyed gardening, canning, and cooking for her family. She spent countless hours preparing and delivering hot meals during spring and harvest work. She also loved Easter.



Ronald Bloom
May 28, 1942 - Mar. 25, 2024

Ron enjoyed spending his time playing softball, bowling, and watching the Twins and Vikings play. He also enjoyed spoiling his grand-fur babies, Scooby, Shadow, Sasha, Hunter, Bruno, Checkers and Lucifer.



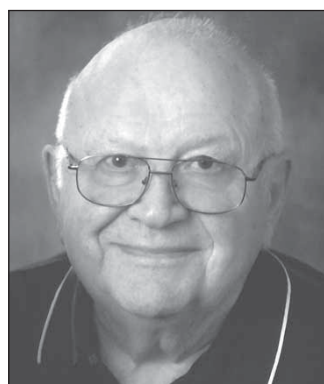
Helen Zimmerman
May 16, 1932 - Mar. 29, 2024

Helen was known for hosting many family and holiday events at her home. Once you got to her house, you sure were not going hungry. The family loved to discuss her homemade donuts and caramel rolls.



Vernon Rostad
Aug. 4, 1928 - April 4, 2024

Vernon was involved in many organizations over the years. He was a 4-H leader, volunteer at Camp of the Cross, member of Immanuel Lutheran Church Council, and a member of the Garrison Lamplighters.



Ervin Weishaar
May 9, 1929 - April 6, 2024

He loved working in the grocery business and always had a pocket full of candy for any young shoppers that would come in.



Alan Christianson
June 17, 1952 - April 10, 2024

Family was important to Al, he was proud to be a dad, husband and brother, along with a great friend and mentor to many. He also served on many non-profit and energy boards throughout his life.



Burnel Fix
Nov. 21, 1937 - April. 27, 2024

Burnel was passionate about hunting and enjoyed collecting guns. In his younger years, he played guitar, and sang with his brother Glen. He also played accordion, both of which he played by ear.



Brian Ravnaas
Aug. 20, 1974 - April 30, 2024

Brian's biggest passion in life were his children, along with his nieces and nephews. Also, he developed paint technology that is used in automotive interiors and architectural coatings.



Cameron Martin
Nov. 22, 1988 - May 13, 2024

Cameron loved to take computers apart and put them back together. Playing video games was one of his favorite pastimes (especially with friends.) He was an avid book reader, loved music, and going to the lake.

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Brenda Staehr

Dec. 31, 1963 - May 17, 2024

While having different jobs during her life Her favorite job was being married to Shannon and raising Kedra. She also enjoyed crafts, yardwork, traveling, planning holidays, family gatherings, and trips to a T. She will be missed.



Sharon Ronning

Sept. 8, 1941 - May 3, 2024

Sharon was full of life and energy. No one was ever a stranger when they were around her. She was always ready for a conversation or to share a laugh. As a mother, Sharon was her children's biggest cheerleader.



Tyrone Baker

July 25, 1938 - May 26, 2024

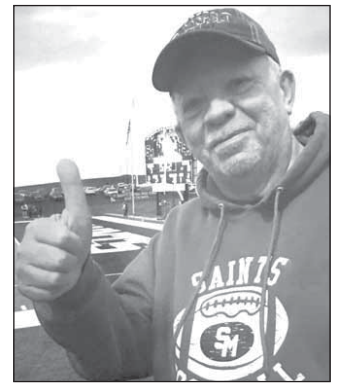
Terry had a long career in law enforcement in Texas. Following his retirement, he remained with the Dallas County Sheriff's Posse. He owned a registered quarter horse by the name of "Doc Baldy Bingo" that he rode during his years with the Posse.



Mildred Slind

Aug. 3, 1929 - May 26, 2024

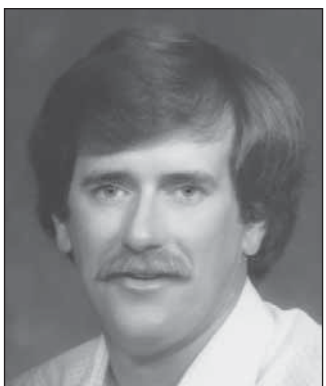
The "gang" would arrive at Millie's for the weekend to a table set with home cooked meals, her trademark potato salad, and delicious apple and pumpkin pies. She also enjoyed attending her grandchildren's sporting events.



Garnett Rudie

Feb. 24, 1954 - May 26, 2024

Garnett bowled in multiple leagues each year. He wore a ring that symbolized his 300-game success regularly. He was known at the bowling alley for the smile on his face and the point he would always make to come over and talk to you.



Craig Johansen

Nov 5, 1954 - June 3, 2024

Craig was raised in Ryder and went to Ryder High School where he played basketball, baseball, ran track, and was in the band. He was a member of the JC's and Calvary Church in Ryder, and enjoyed hunting, reading, and watching T.V.



Patricia Riemer

Jan. 1, 1932 - June 10, 2024

Pat enjoyed gardening and was very proud of her flowers each year. She could be found doing crossword puzzles or reading a variety of books after the book mobile arrived in town. She enjoyed mowing grass and could be found mowing other's yards too.



Stuart Bold

May 14, 1943 - June 13, 2024

Stuart's generosity and kindness were boundless. He would eagerly lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He was a man who truly loved life. He didn't say a lot of words, but he had the best sense of humor and one-liners.



Ronald Schepp

Aug. 11, 1944 - June 25, 2024

Ron loved the lake life. He loved it when the kids and grandkids came and fished with him, it was always a competition for the first fish, the biggest fish, and the most fish. He also loved to garden, boasting about his prize onions and Minnesota Midget Cantaloupes.



Marian Staehr

Sept. 20, 1942 - July 3, 2024

Marian's hobbies and interests ranged from her famous zucchini muffins to crafting the perfect latte on her espresso machine. Marian also poured herself into sewing and quilting for those dearest to her.



Betty Affeldt

Oct. 16, 1930 - July 5, 2024

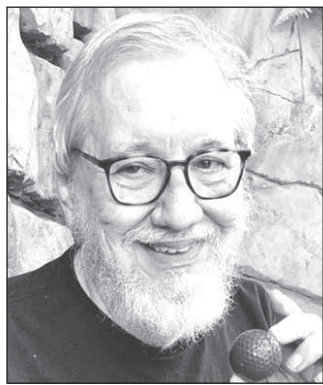
Betty was known for her love of cooking, baking, gardening, sewing, knitting and crocheting. She also enjoyed playing Bingo, Whist, and Pinochle, which were sources of great joy and community throughout her life.



Joanne Saylor

June 27, 1939 - July 7, 2024

Joanne never shied away from work and found great joy in a good well done in all she did, be that from her days in the workforce, from keeping up with her home and yard, from cooking for her family and friends, or from decorating for the holidays.



John Nilsen

July 5, 1948 - July 11, 2024

Theater was a passion for John. He loved both performing and directing plays. One of his favorite memories was being the first performer to be seen on stage at the Frances Fraiser Comstock Theater in Concordia where he had the lead in the musical "Celebration!"



Ella Kolden

July 13, 1925 - July 10, 2024

Ella enjoyed bowling league in Parshall and was an avid quilter, crocheter, seamstress and wonderful cook and baker, known for her buns. She was active in the Immanuel Lutheran Church and its annual Lutefisk dinner. She was also part of many service groups.



Darlene Goven

Sept. 5, 1940 - July 17, 2024

Darlene loved to sing, and her love of music was passed on to her children and grandchildren. Her greatest joy was being surrounded by her family and friends. She was humble, caring, and a kind soul, and a model of beauty, elegance, kindness, and wisdom.



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Anna Jungling

Dec. 3, 1947 - July 17, 2024

Anna was the type of mom who loved baking and cooking for her family, every week she'd be making homemade bread or buns and many other baked goods. Anna also loved her gardening.



William Dunagan

July 20, 1942 - 2024

William will be remembered fondly as a man of few words, but his actions spoke volumes, many would say he was one of the kindest men they knew. His spirit lives on with each of us and his soul has gone to Heaven to be with his savior.



Marjorie Satrang

Mar. 8, 1935 - July 29, 2024

Marjorie was an amazing cook and baker, she always made sure there was an ice cream bucket filled with chocolate chip cookies in the freezer. Of course, when the kids realized how good Marjorie's cookies were she typically found an empty bucket in the freezer.



Stacey Duben

Mar. 18, 1967 - Aug. 8, 2024

While having many different jobs during her life Stacie's number one job and role was growing her children into who they are today. Hard workers who follow their dreams



Wilbert Hoffer

Mar. 24, 1945 - July 30, 2024

Willie worked at the Turtle Lake Livestock/Weigh Station for several years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, and playing cards. He is remembered for his love of collectibles and attending auction sales.



Myrna Scheer

Sept. 19, 1940 - Aug. 8, 2024

Myrna's hobbies included cake decorating, ceramics, reading, decorating for every season, and playing in multiple pinochle card clubs and making lifelong friends. She was an active Lions Member in Hazen, Dickinson and San Tan Valley.



Lorraine Faul

July 4, 1937 - Aug. 9, 2024

Lorraine was raised on a farm near Wing and attended rural school. She was once married to Mel Stebbins and they made their home in Underwood and were the parents to six children.



Susan Parker

Mar. 4, 1957 - Aug. 10, 2024

Susan worked hard to make sure her husband and everyone around her were happy and had everything they needed or wanted when possible. She was a caring boss to those who worked for her and was organized and detailed in all things professional and personal.



MaryAnn Schenfisch

Nov. 23, 1934 - Aug. 12, 2024

MaryAnn had a generous heart and volunteered for years at the Parshall/Rockview Nursing Home styling residents' hair. She was a seamstress, homemaker, and well known for baking delicious buns and rolls.



Carl Martin

July 10, 1947 - Aug. 14, 2024

Carl loved reading books and spending time with his family, he was so proud of all of his children. Carl was incredibly smart and funny, and he loved telling stories about all the things he'd done in life.



Emelia Joan Braun

Oct. 4, 1954 - Aug. 14, 2024

Joan's love for learning was matched only by her gift for teaching, a passion that touched countless lives. Joan began her teaching career in Edmore, where she taught mathematics for three years before moving to Golden Valley, ND.



Delores Johnson

May 7, 1932 - Aug. 15, 2024

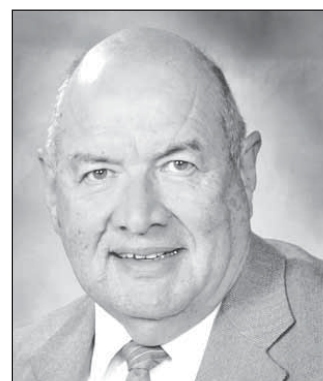
Delores enjoyed watching sports (especially football), playing bingo, bowling, golfing (where she got a hole-in-one), watching birds, attending grandchildren's events and visiting family and friends. She especially loved spending time with her great-grandchildren.



Raymond Grady

Jan. 12, 1959 - Aug. 15, 2024

Raymond coached tee ball, softball, baseball, and basketball. He enjoyed his annual coaching matchups between his White Shield Warriors versus his brother Arnie's New Town Eagles and his nephew Kyle's Mandaree Warriors.



Richard Lehnherr

Sept. 7, 1949 - Aug. 18, 2024

Richard enlisted in the US Air Force serving at bases in the US, Guam, and Thailand. During his service he received the National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, AF Good Conduct Medal and AF Longevity Service Award/one oak leaf cluster.



Carlotta Wretling

Aug. 24, 1947 - Aug. 19, 2024

Carlotta loved sewing clothes for her girls, and making her household run smoothly before she eventually joined the workforce. Carlotta worked many jobs in her lifetime but it was apparent that her most important job was being a mother to her children.

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Ramona Reinisch
Sept. 25, 1937 - Aug. 20, 2024

Ramona's laugh was contagious and her heart had room for everyone. With effortless hospitality she made any visitor feel at home with a cup of coffee and a bottomless wealth of stories.



Deanna Vollmer
Aug. 15, 1947 - Aug. 22, 2024

Volunteering and serving others eventually became Deanna's passion. In this pursuit, she always had a special place in her heart for the very young and the very old.



Violet Olson
Oct. 18, 1926 - Aug. 25, 2024

Violet worked at the Community Memorial Hospital in Turtle Lake as a cook for over 20 years. She married Conrad Olson on November 26, 2011 and they made their home in Turtle Lake.



Conard Olson
Dec. 17, 1926 - Aug. 30, 2024

Conrad was a man of diverse interests. He enjoyed his bowling hobby, having many trophies to show for his efforts, even attending national bowling tournaments.



Jacquilynn Bratz
Oct. 10, 1930 - Aug. 30, 2024

Jackie loved to entertain and would frequently host family and friends for delicious meals. Cooking was not always her passion as when she was first married she only knew how to make two things, fruit salad and grilled cheese sandwiches!



Robert Pochant
June 7, 1934 - Sept. 2, 2024

Even though Skinny had many different jobs throughout his life from picking potatoes in Florida to managing a bar during the construction of the dam, his main love in life was farming. Even to the end he loved to discuss crop prices and basically discuss anything farming.



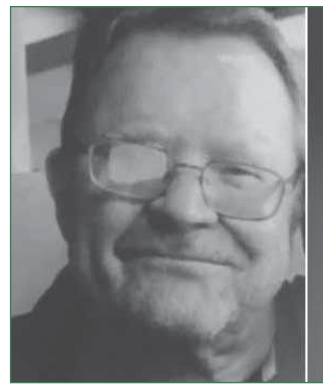
Sharon Tofteland
Oct. 11, 1944 - Sept. 3, 2024

Sharon was such a proud Grandma and Mother to both her loving family and the local children in town. Children who claimed her as grandma, and she had no problem bragging about each of them.



Janice Gietzen
Jan. 21, 1944 - Sept. 3, 2024

Janice's days were spent watching Fox News to "See what's going on in the world." With a kind heart, a quick wit and a stubborn air about her, she was always willing to give her opinion, wanted or not, stuck up for what she believed in and no matter what put her friends and family first.



Jay Erb
Sept. 11, 1948 - Sept. 7, 2024

Jay served in Vietnam until he was critically wounded. After multiple surgeries in Vietnam, Japan and Fitzsimons Hospital in Denver Jay was honorably discharged and awarded a Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal, Air Medal and Bronze Star Medal.



Pearl Golly-Eman
July 15, 1925 - Sept. 13, 2024

Pearl was an excellent business woman, over the years she owned/operated several businesses including Dakota Meats, Friendly Bar in Stanley, Totten Trail, Minot Livestock, Golly' Dairy-All, and Sunflower Realty. She also worked as a cook for the Bergan School on the Olson farm and served as a 4-H leader.



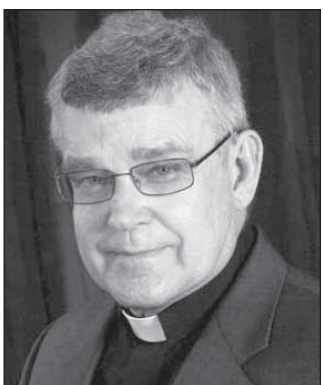
Donald Evenson
June. 3, 1935 - Sept. 13, 2024

Donald's main hobby was work, but he did have a second passion for flying. He purchased his first airplane in 1952 and owned several more throughout his life.



Virgil Frank
July 31, 1951 - Sept. 15, 2024

Virgil was a farmer and rancher by trade, but his true joy came from the love he shared with his family. Virgil and his wife Janice raised three children - Corey, Carissa, and Curtis - instilling the values of hard work, kindness and humor in them.



Tom Kolden
Jan. 1 1952 - Sept. 29, 2024

In his hours away from being a substitute pastor in area pulpits, you could find Tom sharing in caring conversations with others whether that be over a cup of coffee, visiting a shut-in or fishing in the great outdoors. Tom will be remembered by many for his great sense of humor.



Julie Reimann
Sept. 30, 2024

Julie enjoyed planting flowers outside as well as indoor plants, mowing grass and trimming trees. She created fond memories going horseback riding during summer. Julie is greatly missed by her community.



Eleanor Mehlhoff
Nov. 16, 1933 - Oct. 1, 2024

Eleanor had an ear for music, she could hear a tune and then play it on piano, keyboard or accordion. Throughout the years she played with the Garrison Jammers, Friends Band and then Harvest States accordion group, as well as the Norsk Hostfest each fall.



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Betty Kempf

May 7, 1929 - Oct. 2, 2024

Betty was a hard worker and one of the kindest, most caring people – she always put family and friends before herself. Betty was an excellent cook and a great gardener.



Tenley Johnson

Aug. 21, 1953 - Oct. 5, 2024

Tenley had many different hobbies including knitting and sewing, playing her piano for churches – including weddings and funerals. She enjoyed playing softball (bad facial bruise), volleyball (torn achilles), and even tried golfing with her partner Wayne for several years.



Judy Solem

Aug. 15, 1945 - Oct. 7, 2024

The very heart and soul of Judy were her grandchildren. If you were to go by her house their pictures would be pasted all around, her eyes would light up and all her worries were gone when they'd stop by. Time would stop and sometimes so would she.



Gordon Roen

Mar. 9, 1936 - Oct. 16, 2024

Gordon was raised on a farm and attended rural schools before high school in Minot. He served in the US Army for two years and then returned to Minot to attend Minot State University to earn a teaching degree.



Darwin Vangsness

Sept. 28, 1932 - Nov. 2, 2024

Darwin worked his entire life on his family farm. He had a passion for farming and ranching, he always said he intended to retire but he loved what he did too much to ever entirely stop.



Ione Metz

Feb. 5, 1934 - Nov. 10, 2024

Ione's hobbies included baking and cooking delicious treats and meals for her family and friends whom she thoroughly enjoyed entertaining, following the stock market and boating. Her Yacht had become her summer home for many years in the Lake Sakakawea State Park Marina.



Linda Phelps

Oct. 9, 1952 - Nov. 14, 2024

Spending time with family and friends, especially her children and grandchildren was Linda's favorite pastime, offering her moments of deep relaxation and fulfillment. Her love for her dogs was evident in the care and affection she gave them.



Boyd Nelson

Apr. 8, 1951 - Nov. 29, 2024

Boyd was a kindhearted family-oriented man who took pride in his family roots. He was a hardworking, honest, generous, caring gentleman who was always willing to help another person in need.



Jerome Palanuk

Mar. 2, 1947 - Oct. 17, 2024

Jerry was a master navigator with over 3,100 flight hours logged. During his four years of flying B-52's he spent 489 days on temporary duty in Guam and Thailand. Jerry was proud to have played a part that contributed to the end of the conflict and release of POW's held in Vietnam.



Minnie Rostad

May 9, 1930 - Dec. 17, 2024

One of Minnie's favorite jobs she held in life was working with the Germans from Russia Heritage Society. She was well known in the senior community of the Bismarck Mandan area where she was a frequent volunteer for 24 years.

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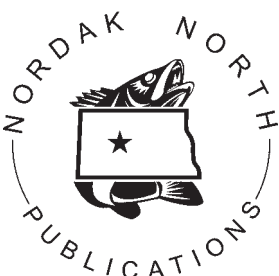
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