



## Sylvester Motschke

May 8, 1928 - March 27, 2011

Sylvester was born on May 8, 1928 in Pierz, MN to the late Albert and Mary (Pauser) Motschke. He attended and school and grew up in Buckman, MN. On October 11, 1951 Sylvester enlisted into the United States Army and served his country proudly during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged on September 19, 1953.

Sylvester was united in marriage to Leola M. Faust on September 20, 1956 at St. John's Catholic Church in Lastrup, MN. The couple lived in St. Paul, MN for two years and then moved to St. Augusta, MN where they raised their family. In 1972, they relocated to Buckman, MN. Sylvester worked many various jobs through out his life. He worked with electronics, farmed, was employed by the Veterans Affairs Hospital and the Little Falls School District. Sylvester was a professional musician, playing in numerous bands throughout his life. He had played in bands for over 65 years, and the last couple years he has enjoyed his time playing at the Lutheran Home in Little Falls for the residents. Sylvester was a very caring person, always looking out for the well being and care of his family. He was member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls, MN, Little Falls VFW Post #1112, and Pierz American Legion. Sylvester was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by sons, Jeffery Motschke of Towner, ND, Bryon (Michelle) Motschke of Rice, MN, Mark Motschke of Bemidji, MN, and Duane (Danielle) Motschke of Little Falls, MN; daughter, Annette (Jamie) Gibson of Willow River, MN; brothers, Leander Motschke of Little Falls, MN, and Matthew

Motschke of Pequot Lakes, MN; sisters, Dorothy Thielen of Little Falls, MN, Regina Britz of Pierz, MN, and Marcella Leeb of Little Falls, MN; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Sylvester was preceded in death by parents, Albert and Mary Motschke; wife, Leola Motschke; brothers, Reinhart and Joe Motschke; sisters, Loretta Meyer, Luella Schlagel, and Dolores Virnig.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 29. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls  
214 2nd Street SE  
Little Falls, MN

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MAR 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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214 2nd Street SE  
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## Service

MAR 30. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Little Falls  
305 4th Street SE  
Little Falls, MN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sylvester Motschke*

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January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Dear Folks ... Was sorta stunned to hear of His demise. In My younger day, I spent hours listening to him play. Tried right after high school to take some lessons, Fingers too large from milking cows by hand. Heard from Sister Carol of His unique casket design. Did He ever have a CD of his music ? have one of Reinius. Had too many little*

*Physical issues to drive up ... sorry!! Our Condolences ....*

*DuWayne & Lottie###imported-begin##Duwayne Virnig ... Aunt Lucys oldest boy###imported-end##*

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March 31, 2011 at 03:34 PM



“ *GD'S LOVE AND BLESSINGS###imported-begin##Lyola Meyer /Girtz Park Rapids, Mn###imported-end##*

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March 29, 2011 at 09:53 PM



“ *What a fitting picture you have of Uncle Sylvester! It depicts so much of what he was about, always sharing his talents and self with others. I always was amazed how much he resembled our dad (Joe) and we could almost get mixed up at first glance, especially in the years when he was in his wheelchair. By our faith, we now know he is enjoying great health again with his beautiful wife Leola, his brothers and sisters (and others) who have gone before him. He has probably already started a great concertina band with Uncle Riene! Heaven has another great musician to join the praise of our Loving Father!*

*Our deepest sympathy in your loss here on earth.*

*Sandy, Cheryl, Claude, Voni and Families###imported-  
begin##Sandra Osterholt###imported-end##*

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March 29, 2011 at 02:00 PM



“ *What a tremendous loss for us who are left behind to mourn. Sylvester (Dad) was an incredible man with a great sense of humor. His commitment towards his family's happiness was unbelievable. He never hesitated to put them above his own needs or desires. Dads stories were attention getters and left every listener with a brief feeling they themselves experienced a part of his story. He touched many with his extraordinary musical talent and with his ability to keep you thinking with his joking nature. He loved his beautiful wife Leola more than words can define, his children with all his heart, his grandchildren/great grandchildren with every part of his spirit. Dad had great loyalty towards his sisters and brothers and cared deeply for each and everyone of them as well. I have many many wonderful memories of life with him. I will miss him dearly and miss giving him huge hugs. But it gives me great peace in my heart knowing he is in heaven with his one true love Leola and our awesome loving GOD! My love - Michelle##imported-begin##Michelle Motschke##imported-end##*

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March 27, 2011 at 08:46 PM