

**Anthony "Tony" J. Otto, Jr, was born on November 30, 1934 at the home of Harry and Pauline (Grodzicki) Otto. He was the oldest of 9 children. Tony went to country school (uphill all the way) until the 6th grade, he then had to stay home and work on the farm. In 1958, he was drafted and spent 1 year in El Paso, TX as a mechanic. When he was discharged he started his long distant truck driving job.**

**On November 4, 1961, Tony was united in marriage to Sharon Christianson in Canby, MN. To this union 8 children were born, 4 boys and 4 girls. He drove truck until 1970 when he had back surgery. Tony went to diesel mechanic school for 2 years at Canby, MN Voc-Tech School starting his job for John Deere. His first job was in Garrison, SD from 1972-1974 and then he was in Havre, MT from 1974-1978. In 1978, they moved to Bottineau, ND where he worked in Bottineau and Westhope, ND. When the store closed in Bottineau they moved to Sidney in 1991 where Tony worked until he retired.**

**Tony was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney and the Culbertson Threshing Club. He loved John Deere tractors, restoring many, his love was a 1924 John Deere D, and some said he had green not red in his blood. He loved hunting and fishing. Tony hunted bear, buffalo, antelope, deer, and elk. This last fall, his son Bradley took him hunting for his last deer.**

**Anthony "Tony" passed away on Saturday, March 7, 2020, at the Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT.**

**Surviving him are: his wife, Sharon Otto, Sidney, MT; his sons, Bradley (Lisa) Otto, and Brian (Lynette) Otto, all of Minot, ND, and Bruce (Lori) Otto, Star Prairie, WI; his daughters, Brenda (Gabe) Sattler, Devils Lake, ND, Barbara (Alan) Cote, Willow City, ND, Becky (Chris) Thomas, Nyack, NY, and Benita Otto (Josh), Spokane, WA; his brothers, John Otto, Thomas Otto, Mike Otto, and Bill Otto, all of Minnesota; his sisters, Mary Barnes, Fargo, ND, Pat Nau, Missouri, and Sister Rita Marie, Wisconsin; his only aunt, Frances Matthys, Marshall, MN; 16 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.**

**He was preceded in death by: his parents; his son, Blaine; step-mother, Adeline Otto; brother, Leonard Otto; nephews, Robert Otto, and Tim Barnes; brother-in-law, Dick Barnes; granddaughter, Mikiah Clare; and great granddaughter, Kaylee Danielson.**



*In Loving Memory Of*  
**Anthony Joseph Otto**

*November 30, 1934 ~ March 7, 2020*



# Tony Otto

Born to Harry & Pauline Otto  
November 30, 1934~Canby, Minnesota

Passed Away  
March 7, 2020~Sidney, Montana

Services  
11:00AM Thursday March 12, 2020  
St. Matthew's Catholic Church~Sidney, MT

Officiating  
Father Jim O'Neil

Music  
Kathy Bidegaray      Gary Rauschendorfer

Reader  
Margaret Bradley

Casketbearers  
Brad Otto      Brian Otto      Bruce Otto  
Alan Cote      Gabe Sattler      Chris Thomas

Honorary Casketbearers  
Tony's Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

Ushers  
Justin Cote-Kanning      Kevin Schmitz

Military Funeral Honors  
United States Army Honor Guard  
V.F.W. Post #4099~Sidney, MT

*Drinking From My Saucer*  
Life has had many challenges, lately and right now;  
But I don't worry about that much.

I'm happy anyhow.

As I go along life's journey.  
I'm reaping more than I sowed;  
I'm drinking from my saucer,  
cause my cup has overflowed.

Don't have a lot of riches;  
so sometimes the going's rough;  
But I have some friends who love me;  
that make me rich enough

I just thank God for his blessings  
And the gifts that he's bestowed;

I'm drinking from my saucer,  
cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things went wrong  
And my faith got a little thin;  
But sure enough the dark clouds broke  
And the sun broke through again.

So God, help me not to gripe about.

The tough rows that I've hoed.

I'm drinking from my saucer,  
cause my cup has overflowed.

So if God gives me the courage  
when the way gets steep and rough  
I won't ask for another blessing.

I'm already blessed enough.

May I never be to busy to help  
another bear his load;

Then I'll keep drinking from my saucer  
Cause my cup has overflowed.



Luncheon will follow the services at  
Ned Shinnick Hall