



Edwin Francis Peters

December 13, 2020

Edwin was Born March 5, 1932 at Lustre, Montana. He died Sunday December 13, 2020 at age 88.

Ed was the fourth child and third son born to Pete and Margret Peters. He was followed by five more sisters and one brother. He grew up on a farm at Larslan, Montana. He attended Sunny Side elementary school and graduated from the Lustre Bible Academy. When he was a young man he liked cars. He got that from dad. His nicest car was a new 1953 Oldsmobile two door hard top. I was eight years younger than Ed but I rode along a lot with him. When Dad bought the Swanson place, Ed and LeVern each bought a half section of land. We always farmed Ed's and Le Vern's half sections together.

Ed gave his heart to the Lord when he was about 20 at the Larslan Mennonite Brethren church which was our home church. He followed Le Vern and Lloyd to the Prairie Bible Institute (Alberta Canada), and was followed by me and Marian and Norma. Ed and I were room mates at Prairie during my first year and his last year. He graduated from Prairie in 1959. After graduating from Prairie he serve for a while as a pastor in Griffin, Saskatchewan. Then he worked at Zerbe's or a few years.

He moved to California and found his place in life by serving with Gospel Recordings, a missionary organization. He served there for many years until

he was old. A colleague of his said he could fix anything. He did not join the mission to be their fix it man but became that by necessity.

He met and married Dorothy in 1983. She was a beautiful widow with five grown children. He and Dorothy flew me from Chicago to Los Angeles to be the best man at their wedding. He picked me up at the airport on the morning of their wedding, and as we drove to Dorothy's nice house, Ed seemed unsure if he was doing the right thing. I thought, This is no time to be unsure so I did what I could to assure him he was making a good move. It proved to be a good move.

Ed was a bold witness for Jesus, but not always a culturally refined witness.

Ed and Dorothy moved from Los Angeles and lived in Pahrump, NV for some years. Ed was preceded to heaven by his wife Dorothy of cancer in 2007. At that time he moved from Los Angeles, California to Loveland, Colorado to live out the rest of his life. He was preceded to heaven from his own immediate family by Lois, who died as a baby, Dad, Mom, LeVern, Irma, Lloyd and Marjory. Ed preceded to heaven Marian (Alberta), Carolyn (Arizona), Bob (Alberta), Norma (Oregon) and Ella (Colorado). I do not say "to heaven" lightly as if everyone goes to heaven, but we had the great good fortune of growing up in a Christian family where Dad read the Bible to us each morning before he prayed at Breakfast. We attended Morning and evening church services on Sunday and some attended the prayer meeting on Wednesday evening. All of us became Christians and to some extent or other served the Lord. We were far from perfect, but have many reasons for which to be thankful.

We, Ed's living siblings, would like to thank Ella for all the thoughtful things she did for Ed. She was the only one who lived close to where Ed spent his final years. She spent time with him just before he passed away. She said concerning her last visit with him on Sunday morning, "I feel I have GOOD

peace with his passing because I think I did what I felt was what Jesus would do. I prayed for him to feel Jesus presence and love. To know he was righteous because the Bible says we are if we are believers - prayed he would know his sins are forgiven because Christ died to forgive and cover sin. I said the Lords prayer. Quoted Psalm 23. Sang, Grace Grace God's Grace. Told him I could see how hard he was struggling to breath, and it would be okay to go see Jesus. I told him I loved him and said, goodbye and I would see him in heaven." Ella left and Ed passed away before she got home.

Ella and Ray arranged for the cremation and ordered a gravestone. Her plan is to transport him later to the Lustre Mennonite Brethren church grave yard in Montana to be buried where his sister Lois is buried. Lois died as an infant. Ella gave me the privilege of writing the obituary to be posted on line.

We, Ed's living siblings, would also like to thank Ed's care givers for their attention to his needs at Sierra Vista in Colorado.

--Bob Peters

From Norma. "I remember mother watching Ed walk across the yard on the farm home. She said, "Ed always walks so straight." I don't know why, but I never forgot that. I also remember all 4 boys, standing in the kitchen & laughing and arguing about religion. They were having a good time."

Tribute Wall



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Our last visit with Uncle Ed! We told him who we were and he looked at us and said, It can't be you, you're not that old! I remember Ed stopping at our place with his new Corvair and letting Lorene and me drive it around the block...We were about 4th and 6th grade. He was always concerned for my soul, but in the latter years accepted the fact that married a good christian man, so I must be on the right path. See you in heaven my Uncle.

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“ *Our life's are a brief moment and then we're gone. Ed never had much self esteem but he was an essential part of Gods plan. We want to thank the nurses and staff at Sierra Vista for the care and kindness you gave to Ed. God bless you each. Love Ella*

Ella Stenka - December 18, 2020 at 06:20 PM

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“ I have a couple of memories of Ed that I'd like to share. Our family rode with Uncle Ed out to LaVern and Carolyn's wedding in Michigan - we ate watermelon in the motel and mom had to wash the floor after we got done getting juice all over the floor. We sure had a good time!

One time Ed came to the farm and I was wearing nail polish, he told me about Jezebel and how we shouldn't adorn ourselves. I'm not sure I liked what he said, but I have always remembered it. :)

When our kids were in grade school we took a trip to CA with Mom & Dad to Disneyland and stayed part of the time with Ed and Dorothy. They were so gracious, took us sightseeing, to Gospel Recordings, and to John MacArthur's church on Sunday. It was a memorable time.

Ed had a good heart and was concerned about saving souls. He usually came across with condemnation rather than love and grace but that's how he reached out. I think that Dorothy helped soften Ed's personality and see life a little more realistically. He was a good and Godly man!

Lorene Hintz - December 18, 2020 at 11:52 AM

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“ Gosh Ed, I sure miss you. You brightened my day at Sierra Vista Health Care. You always asked for strawberry jelly and not grape jelly on peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. The kitchen made them with grape so last Christmas I bought you your very own big jar of strawberry jam. I'd scrape off the grape jelly and switch it out for strawberry. I think you went through 3 big jars over the year! I even bought you strawberry syrup to add to vanilla ice cream. You loved a strawberry sundae after dinner. Another resident thought you must have been a strawberry farmer seeing you wear that hat I bought you for your 88th birthday. It was a bright kelly green hat with an embroidered strawberry on it. It was your favorite hat and I hope to think it was from your favorite nurse. I had fun times talking to your sister Ella when we FaceTimed her due to CoronaVirus. I'm so glad she was able to be with you at the hospital and in your final hour to release you to the heavens above. I will always remember you. From your friend and nurse, Lisa Alman

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Our life's are a brief moment and then we're gone. Ed never had much self esteem but he was an essential part of Gods plan. He was contented to be at Sierra Vista senior care home and for that we were thankful. We so appreciate the care and kindness from the nurses and staff that attended to his needs. May God bless you each. Ella (Ed's sister) and Ray Stenka

Ella Stenka - December 18, 2020 at 12:50 PM

LH

Lisa, Thank you for your kind words. I can tell that Ed was more than just a patient to you. You cared and made his life happier just by bringing him strawberry jam!! Thank you!! Lorene Hintz

Lorene Hintz - December 19, 2020 at 03:09 PM



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