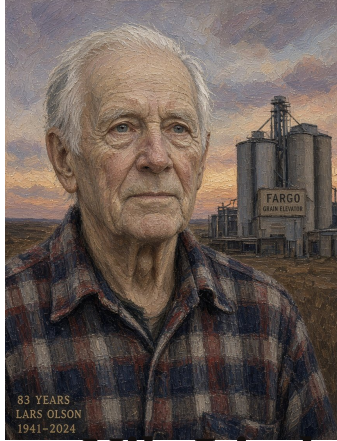




Arthur Nils Lindstrom

January 15, 1943 - September 1, 2026

Fargo, North Dakota

Arthur Nils Lindstrom died in Fargo on September 1, 2026. He was eighty-three. Born there on January 15, 1943, he learned the prairie before he learned a trade. His father worked a grain elevator. Arthur worked it too, then the dryer, then whatever job would keep a man outdoors in a city that does not flatter anyone who waits for mild weather.

He spent decades moving wheat, checking belts, and teaching younger men that ice on a ladder is not a story you tell afterward if you have been careful. He did not romanticize the work. He said the prairie was beautiful from a hill and dangerous from a bin, and that both facts could be true before breakfast.

He married Elaine Lindstrom in 1965. They kept a house near the river and a cabin they almost never finished painting. Two sons grew up knowing how to bait a hook and how to be quiet in a boat. Elaine taught school. Arthur packed her lunches with the same seriousness he packed a toolbox. After he retired he walked the river path in every month except the ones when the wind made walking a kind of argument.

Friends remember a dry laugh, a refusal to own more than one good coat, and a habit of showing up to help move a freezer as if that were the natural use of a Saturday. He could name the harvests of his youth and would stop himself before the list became a lecture. He died in Fargo, the city whose grain and weather had written his calendar. The dryer still starts. He would have liked that the work outlasted the man.

Services

Visitation in Fargo, followed by a simple service. A gift to a farm-safety program is welcome.

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