Remember Me

Don't remember me with sadness,

Don't remember me with tears,

Remember all the laughter,

We've shared throughout the years.

Now I am contented

That my life it was worthwhile,

Knowing that I passed along the way

I made somebody smile.

When you are walking down the street

And you've got me on your mind,
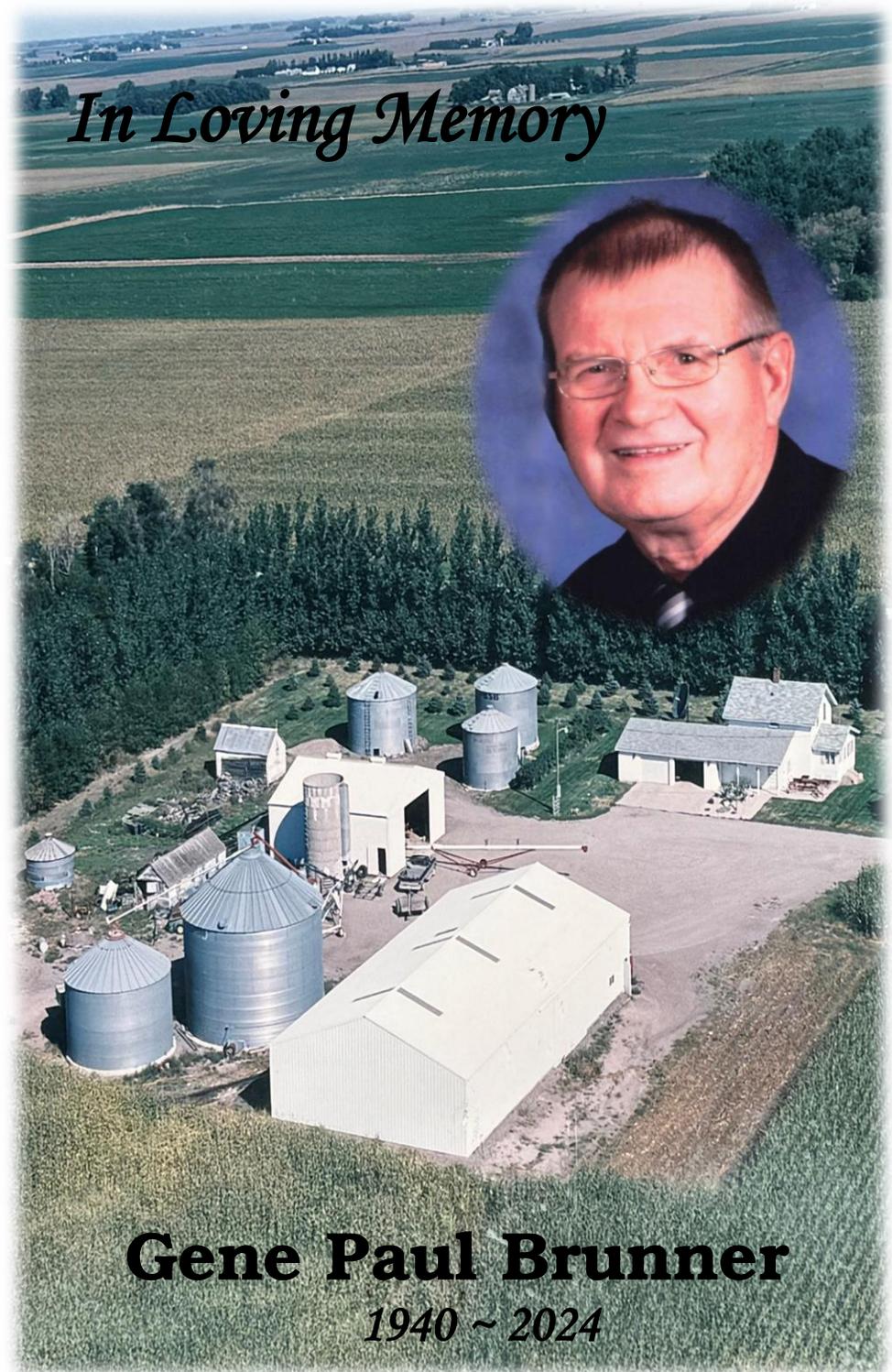
I'm walking in your footsteps

Only half a step behind.

So please don't be unhappy

Just because I'm out of sight,

Remember that I'm with you,

Each morning, noon, and night.

J. H. Lynner Co.

In Loving Memory

Gene Paul Brunner
1940 ~ 2024

Gene Paul Brunner was born on September 4, 1940, in Montevideo, MN, to Paul and Anna (Hohler) Brunner. He was baptized and confirmed at the Congregational Church in Montevideo and attended school in Granite Falls. After high school, Gene worked for Swift Manufacturing in Montevideo and worked for a local farmer. On December 19, 1964, Gene and Sharon Stokke were united in marriage at the Assembly of God Church in Clarkfield. Gene began his farming operation with his brother Phil and family. He and Phil worked together until Gene's retirement from farming in 2005.

Gene enjoyed fishing, camping, and spending time on the water in his boat. Gene and Sharon enjoyed many vacations together to Branson, Mexico, Alaska, and on cruises. Gene also enjoyed trips to Las Vegas with friends. He loved spending time ice fishing on Lac Qui Parle along with a few good card games in the icehouse. Gene was known for his easy-going nature, always having a smile, kindness, willingness to help others, and his selflessness. Gene was an animal lover, his favorite was his yellow lab, Sam.

On Sunday, May 5, 2024, at the age of 83. Gene was called to his heavenly home. He was surrounded by his family and friends at the Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls. Gene is survived by his wife of 59 years, Sharon; his brother, Phillip (Joyce) Brunner of Waconia, MN, Jon (Marcia) Brunner of Washington, Mike (Kathy) Brunner of Glenwood, MN; brother-in-law, Robert Williamson of Aurora, CO; sister-in-law, Donna Stokke of Edina, MN; nieces and nephews, Faye (Jim) Koepke, Julie (Bill) Bunch, Beth (John) Wacholz, Kim (Missy) Sell, Scott (Vicki) Sell, Rob Williamson, Chris (Kristen) Williamson. He is also survived by special friends, the Aeikens family, several great-nieces, great nephews, and many other family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Anna Brunner; sisters, Karen Sell and Sharon Williamson; Parents-in-law, Bernard and Helma Stokke, sister-in-law, Beulah (Earl) Lindquist, and brother-in-law, Duane Stokke.

In Memory of

Gene Paul Brunner

September 4, 1940

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May 5, 2024

Funeral Service
Hope Reformed Church
Montevideo, Minnesota
Saturday, May 11th, 2024
11 AM

Officiant
Pastor Mike Altena

Organist
Joann Hildahl

Soloist
Dave Rupp

Casketbearers

Todd Stegeman	Jim Koepke
Kent Carda	Steve Londgren
Greg Aeikens	John Wacholz
Jim Williams	Bill Bunch

Honorary Casketbearers

Donald West	Dave Menk
Brian Varpness	Charlie Tollefson

Interment
Clarkfield City Cemetery
Clarkfield, MN

In lieu of a thank you card, please accept our sincere thanks and gratitude for the cards, condolences, and time spent today sharing your memories of Gene. The kind sentiments and gestures will not be forgotten.

~The Family of Gene Brunner