



*"When you remember me,
it means that you have carried
something of who I am with you,
that I have left some mark
of who I am on who you are.*

*It means that you can summon me
back to your mind even though
countless years and miles may
stand between us.*

*It means that if we meet again,
you will know me.*

*It means that even after I die,
you can still see my face
and hear my voice
and speak to me in your heart.
For as long as you remember me,
I am never entirely lost."*

- Frederick Buechner

*And wherever you are,
I hope the skies are bluer,
The colors are brighter,
The hills are higher,
And the world is kinder.*

I will love you forever.

-Samira Vivette

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Roland Herman Jurgens, III

WHO WAS BORN

January 25, 1969

Minneapolis, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

May 7, 2024

Minneapolis, Minnesota

MEMORIAL OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, June 8, 2024

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Mundwiler Funeral Home

Milbank, South Dakota

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, June 8, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

Mundwiler Funeral Home Chapel

Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Reverend Melanie Reiners

HONORARY URN BEARERS

Kerstin Deters-Engel | Carolyn Deters | Nicole Deters-Spader

Bruce Monroe | Amy Billadeau-Prigge

APPRECIATION

Roland's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.

Following the service, please join the family for lunch and
fellowship at the home of Roland and Connie.

Mundwiler & Larson Funeral Home - Ortonville, Minnesota

Roland Herman Jurgens, III, was born on January 25, 1969, at Abbot Hospital in Minneapolis, MN, to Roland, Jr. and Sharon (Rowland) Jurgens. He was baptized at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Wayzata, MN, and confirmed at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Wilmot, SD. Roland graduated from Wilmot Public School in 1987 and went on to earn an Associate's Degree in Surveying and Civil Engineering from Dunwoody Institute in Minneapolis in 1995.

In 2008, Roland exchanged wedding vows with his beloved wife, Connie Rausch, on Orcas Island, WA, marking the beginning of a beautiful union. He dedicated his career to surveying and civil engineering, eventually attaining the esteemed position of Senior Project Manager at Thorstad Companies, where he played an instrumental role in developing numerous renewable energy projects.

Roland's commitment to his community was evident through his involvement as a 4-H volunteer in the robotics program in Ortonville, MN, his service on the planning commission in Orono, MN, and his contributions on the city council in Chokio, MN. He was an avid outdoorsman, finding solace in activities like fishing, hiking, and exploring the Black Hills area with Connie and Daniel.

Following in his namesake's footsteps, Roland loved showing the Jurgens family collection of antique gas engines, which they have on display at WMSTR in Rollag, MN, in The Jurgens Engine Shed.

Roland leaves behind his loving wife, Connie Rausch-Jurgens of Ortonville, MN; his son, Daniel; Connie's daughter, Elizabeth Larson; sister, Gail (Mike) Saxton of Tierra Del Mar, OR; parents, Roland, Jr. (Sharon) Jurgens of Johnson, MN; aunts and uncles: Carol (Waldo) Johnson of Clinton, MN; Pat (Bob) Burt of St. Cloud, MN; Alan (Wendy) Rowland of Browns Valley, SD; Charles Jurgens of Wilmot, SD; Sherry Jurgens (Vivian) of Frazee, MN; and Kathy (Tim) Zemple of Wilmot, SD; and along with many cousins and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Roland, Sr. and Delores Jurgens, Daniel and Mildred Rowland; and great-grandparents: Franz and Ella Ferber, and Herman and Violet Jurgens; and uncle, Gerald Jurgens.

On December 19, 2023, Roland suffered a heart attack that became very complicated. He was determined to fight his way back and never gave up. He had so many cheerleaders including the amazing nurses, doctors, and therapy team at Fairview East Bank Hospital. Unfortunately, after an almost five-month battle, his body just could not fight any longer. Roland's positivity, grace, and kindness shown through to the very end. There are no words to describe our appreciation for everyone who touched our lives at the hospital, and for our HUGE village who supported us through this. We will be eternally grateful for you all.

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