

Celebrating You

Dear Jimmy,
We're all assembled
We've come to honor you
To share sweet recollections
And express our gratitude

You were a great example
Of the best way one can live
Your generous, loving spirit
Was a daily gift you chose to give

And we knew that we were privileged
To know someone so dear
You shared our lives, both the good and the bad
Our true friend throughout the years

You took each day and challenge
Exactly as it came
Your spirit remained steadfast
Life couldn't make you change

Quite often we would marvel
At the determination found in you
How much we'll miss your courage
And your fearless attitude!

Still we know that you'll continue
To be the incredible soul you are
And though we cannot see you
We trust that you'll never be far

Because a soul so special
Can never truly go away...
You'll always be an inspiration
Blessing our lives each day

So as we bid you farewell...For now
It's with deepest love and gratitude
Counting our lives quite blessed to have known
Someone as wonderful as you!



In Loving Memory of
James Owen "Jimmy" Steckelberg

March 22, 1952 – April 4, 2021

Celebration of Life

Jim & Connie Steckelberg Residence

Oacoma, SD

Saturday, April 10, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Musical Prelude

Scripture and Prayer

Deacon Jim Bregel

Remarks

Friends and Family

Reading of Obituary

Deacon Jim Bregel

Singing

"Take me out to the Ball Game"

Recessional

Arrangements By: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD

James (Jimmy) Owen Steckelberg was born on March 22, 1952 in Kimball, SD. Jim was the fourth of six boys born to Gene and Delora (Mebius) Steckelberg.

Jimmy attended his school years in Chamberlain and graduated from Chamberlain High School in 1970. He lived his entire life in the Chamberlain/Oacoma area and was always proud of his hometown. He loved growing up in Chamberlain and terrorizing the town with his five brothers. His favorite thing in the world was having a cold beer on a boat on the Missouri River on a hot summer day.

Jimmy lived a work hard, play hard life and built many great friendships along the way. He became an excellent cook and honed his skills with his brother, Bruce, at the Rainbow Café. He later cooked at Al's Oasis where he made excellent food and built lasting friendships. Jimmy then worked in sales and customer service for Pepsi Co. and was a supervisor at Servall before "retiring" in 2019. After retirement, he continued to serve the community as a custodian at the Oacoma Community Center, a host at the Chamberlain Rest Area, and as a driver for ROCS transit.

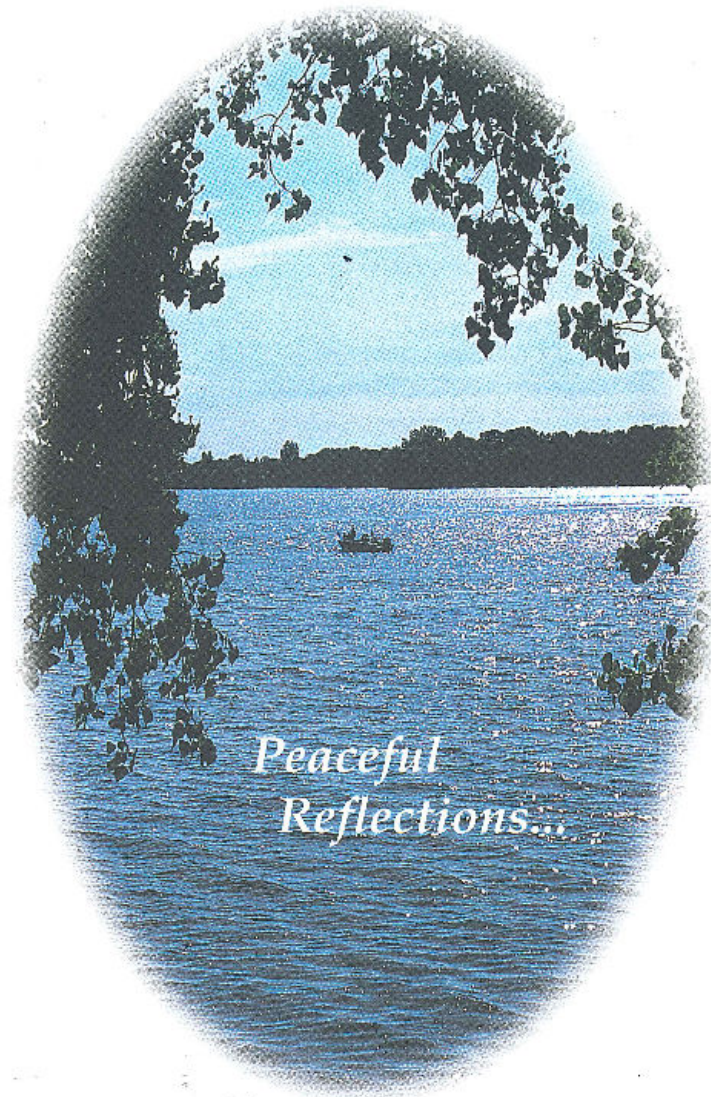
Jimmy was a sports enthusiast and spent many of his younger years playing softball, basketball, wrestling, golf, and baseball for the Chamberlain Mallards, where he proudly wore the "#1". Jimmy was a football/basketball official and really enjoyed his time working with his buddies on those crews. One of the greatest joys in life was watching his sons and all his grandchildren play in their athletic events.

Jim and Dotty DeBoer were married on June 20, 1974. To this union, two boys, TJ (Theodore James) and Justin, were born.

On June 16, 2007, Jimmy married his dear wife, Connie (Peterson). With this union, Jimmy became a loving step-father to Dawn Magstadt and Billie Jo Baer. Jimmy cherished his marriage to Connie and always did his best to take care of her. Connie's daughters and grandchildren loved Jimmy as well and they were blessed to create many family memories together.

Jim, 69, passed away on April 4, 2021 at the Avera Medical Center in Mitchell, SD. Jimmy will be deeply missed by his sons TJ (Rachelle) and Justin (Hollie) Steckelberg, step-daughters Dawn Magstadt and Billie Jo Baer (Jeff Nordseth), brothers Ron, Roger, Bruce and Steve Steckelberg, grandchildren Carson, Lex, Trishelle, Kennedy, Grayson and Madden Steckelberg, Brittany (Justin) Iburg, Levi, Logan, and Sara Krcger, great-grandchild Bennett Iburg, along with many nieces and nephews, numerous friends and a wealth of acquaintances he met along his journey.

Jim is preceded in death by both his parents Gene and Delora Steckelberg and his brother Bill.



*Peaceful
Reflections...*

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