

## In Loving Memory

Larry C. Madson of Fargo, ND, passed away on September 6, 2025 following a courageous battle with cancer.

Born November 8, 1955 in Fargo to Leslie and Hazel (Rekken) Madson, Larry was baptized & confirmed at Messiah Lutheran Church and graduated from Fargo North High School in 1974.

Various vocational skills learned at Fargo North helped launch a lifelong career as a carpenter, builder and developer. Always ambitious and enterprising, even as a youth, Larry started Lake Home Improvement and Town and Country Construction, building homes, remodeling and various construction projects in the area.

Larry's successful work as a builder ultimately led him to Tharaldson Hospitality Development where he advanced in the company, and became an integral member of the Tharaldson management team as it grew into one of the largest hotel developers in the country Larry's relationship with Tharaldson continued for more than 30 years up until his cancer forced him to slow down and curtail his travel to sites.

Larry also developed Arrowwood Addition in Horace, developed, built, and owned the Fargo Hilton Garden Inn and the North Fargo Homewood Suites, and many other projects.

Among Larry's fondest memories was the family's decades-long connection to Rose Lake, near Vergas. His parents owned a lake home there, where the Madsons were seasonal residents from the early 1960's to 1984. Larry later returned to Rose Lake, building a lake home where he cherished his time with fiancée Laurel, family, and friends.

Not one to sit still, Larry was constantly busy with various projects at his home in Rose Creek, Fargo, and at the lake. A conservationist at heart, he planted hundreds of trees at his properties in the Rose Lake area of Vergas; and Larry often commented that he always strived to leave property, and the world in general, in better condition than he found it.

Larry met Laurel in 2000, and spent the next 25 years together, as they enjoyed traveling, laughing, going to concerts, spending time with family and friends, and building their life together.

Larry is survived by fiancé, Laurel Mahan; his son, Edward (Heather Robichaux); and grandson, Charlie Burch, Mandeville, LA; sister, Janice (Bill) Warner, Mpls.; Laurel's children, Brian (Amy) Mahan, Plymouth, MN, Kevin Mahan Kindred, ND and Christopher (Stephanie) Mahan, Minnetonka, MN; honorary grandchildren, Evan and Kieran Mahan, Genna and Cooper Mahan, Jack and Stella Mahan; and dogs, Layla and Lola.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leslie and Hazel Madson; and his sister, Sharon McLean.



## Larry Curtis Madson

November 8, 1955 - September 6, 2025

Remember me on quiet days,  
While rain drops whisper on your pane.  
But in your memories have no grief.  
Let just the joy we knew remain.  
Remember me when evening stars  
Smile down on you with quiet eyes.  
Remember me if once you awake  
To catch a glimpse of red sunrise.  
Remember me when spring walks by.  
Think once of me when you are glad.  
When you are happy, so am I.  
And when your thoughts do turn to me,  
Know that I would not have you cry.  
But live for me and laugh for me,  
And while you live,  
I Shall not die.



### **Funeral Service**

Saturday, September 13, 2025 - 2:00 PM  
Messiah Lutheran Church - Fargo, North Dakota

### **Officiant**

Pastor Laurie Neill

Jim Gurney, Accompanist                      Erik Eide, Vocalist  
Angela Schulz, Vocalist                      Chris Mahan, Vibraphone

### **Order of Service**

Processional  
Welcome  
Thanksgiving for Baptism  
Prayer  
Special Music                      "You Raise Me Up"  
Time of Sharing  
Special Music                      "Misty"  
Scripture Readings                      Psalm 23; Revelation 21  
Homily  
Special Music                      "On Eagle's Wings"  
Prayers  
Special Music                      "The Lord's Prayer"  
Commendation  
Benediction  
Recessional

### **Pallbearers**

Edd Burch - Kevin Mahan - Chris Mahan  
Brian Mahan - Scott Anderson - Louis Hoglund  
Steve Wassberg - Paul Grindeland - Brian Dahl

### **Burial**

Sunset Memorial Gardens - Fargo, North Dakota

All are invited to a Celebration of Larry's life  
following the burial at the Rose Creek Event Center  
at Rose Creek Golf Course