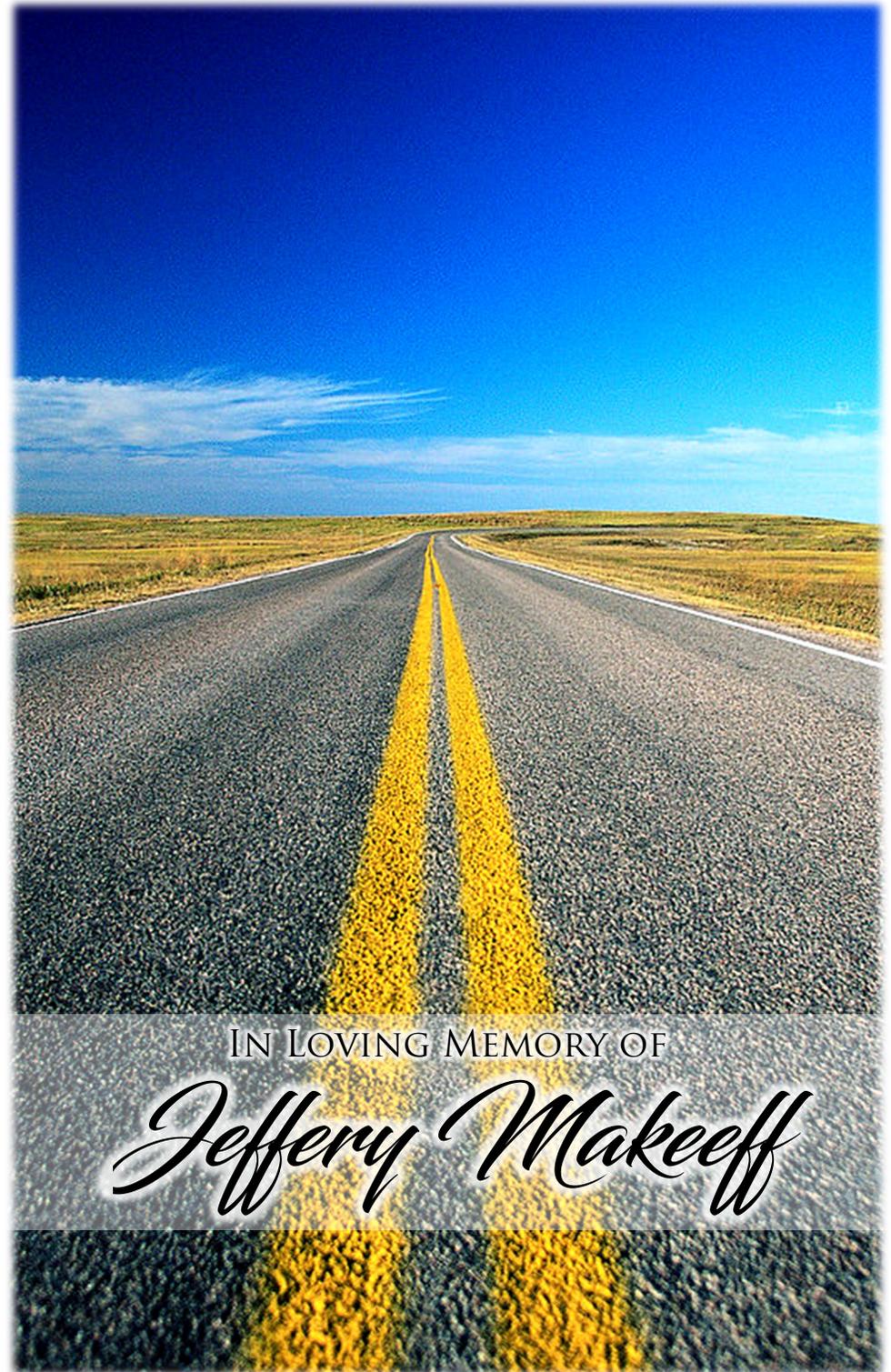


*Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard him call,  
I turned my back and left it all  
I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of day  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch  
If my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief  
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

*Jeffery Makeeff*



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Tribute video.



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Jeffery Makeeff, 56, of Mandan, passed away June 4, 2025, at his home.

Jeffery was born in Billings, Montana on August 27, 1968, to Raymond and Betty (Field) Makeeff. Jeff had four older siblings Carla, Sara, Todd, and Craig. He attended Bismarck High School, graduating in 1986. Soon after graduation, Jeff joined the US Marine Corps and received numerous commendations and awards.

Jeff spent a lot of time in Arizona where he met his wife, Laura. Jeff and Laura were wed in Laughlin, Nevada on September 8, 2000. He spent most of his adult life as a truck driver, working for companies such as

MBI, Dixon Brothers, and most recently Circle K.

Jeffery was known to many as “Stretch” or “Jiffy Pop.” He had quite a few hobbies including riding his motorcycle, family trips to the annual Sturgis Bike Rally in South Dakota, and playing darts. He was always jamming out to Guns N’ Roses – anytime it was playing people knew Jeff was around. Jeff enjoyed hanging out with family, and he also loved to stop by his mother, Betty’s, to spend time with her, talk, play cards, and often go to the movies together.

Jeffery was a man who held very strong beliefs especially about and with God. Jeffery was a one-of-a kind man, quiet but smart, funny, and compassionate. Jeff didn't talk much, but when he did it was always something sarcastic. He knew how to make people laugh – he didn't have to try, he did it just by being himself. Jeff had a heart of gold. He was a very tall man and those who knew him would agree those shoes are some big ones to fill. He was the kind of person who would laugh with you about something ridiculous or do something goofy himself, and then turn around and be able to fix this or that or tell you about the earth, space, and science. Jeff liked science fiction and action movies and shows. He could identify a movie just by a single name of an actor or a phrase.

Jeffery Makeeff was a well-loved man and will be missed by those who knew him and were close to him. Jeffery was preceded in death by his brother, Craig Makeeff and father, Raymond Makeeff.

Jeff is survived by many loving family members including his wife, Laura Makeeff; son, Taylor Raby; mother, Betty Makeeff; siblings, Carla Schalesky, Sara Hasbargen, and Todd Makeeff; many well-loved nephews and nieces; numerous friends; and a special pet, Jeff’s dog, Holly.

**Funeral Service**

Wednesday, June 10, 2025; 10:30 AM

GracePoint Church

205 43rd Avenue NE, Bismarck

**Officiant**

Pastor Duncan Hannestad

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JEFFERY MAKEEFF

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Processional

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Family Reflections

Congregational Hymn

“Amazing Grace”

Reading of Obituary

Reflection Song

“Knocking on Heavens Door”

Message

Reflection Song

“Victory in Jesus”

Closing Prayer

Recessional

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*The family invites you for food and fellowship  
at the church immediately following the funeral service.*

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**Graveside Service**

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery  
Mandan, ND

Military Honors provided by Dakota Leathernecks Detachment #1419  
and the US Marine Corp Funeral Honors.

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