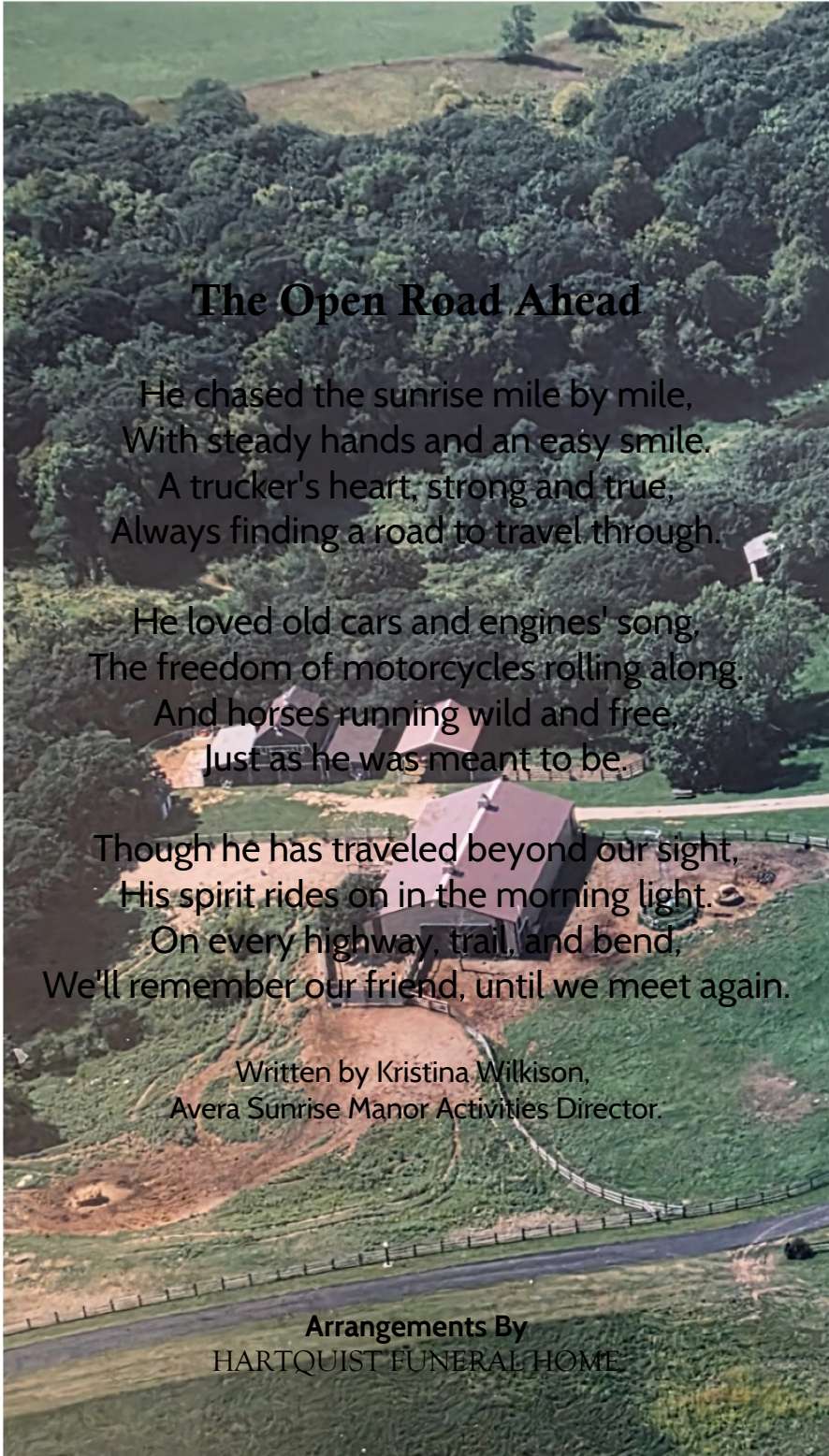




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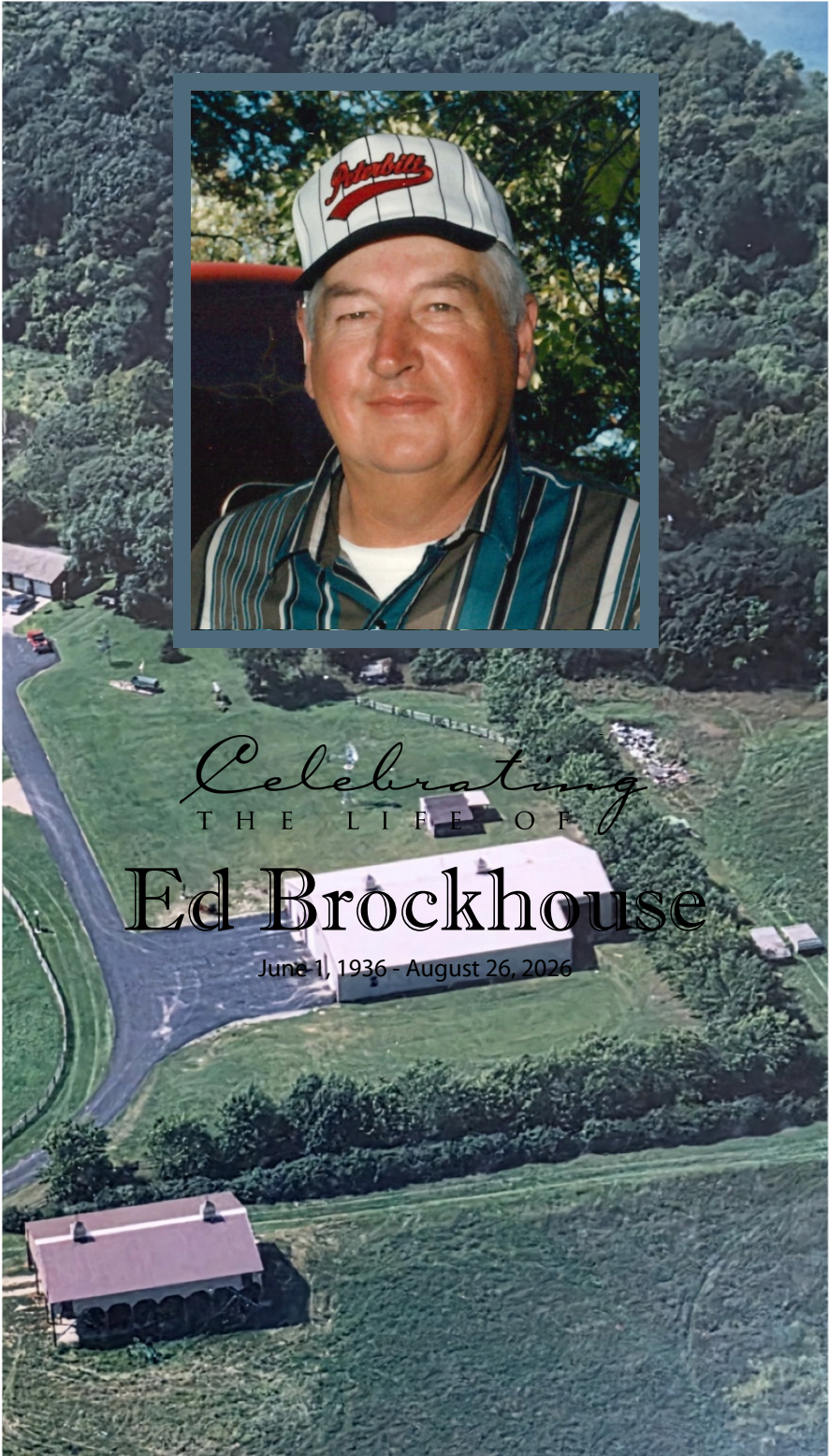
He chased the sunrise mile by mile,
With steady hands and an easy smile.
A trucker's heart, strong and true,
Always finding a road to travel through.

He loved old cars and engines' song,
The freedom of motorcycles rolling along.
And horses running wild and free,
Just as he was meant to be.

Though he has traveled beyond our sight,
His spirit rides on in the morning light.
On every highway, trail, and bend,
We'll remember our friend, until we meet again.

Written by Kristina Wilkison,
Avera Sunrise Manor Activities Director.

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Celebrating THE LIFE OF Ed Brockhouse

June 1, 1936 - August 26, 2026

Ed Brockhouse was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and faithful Christian who cherished the time spent with his family and the many interests that brought him joy throughout his life.

Edward was born to Henry and Tressa (Ahlers) Brockhouse on June 1, 1936 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He grew up on a farm by Edgerton, Minnesota. Ed attended school at either Edgerton Public School or the Christian Reformed School in Edgerton; whichever bus schedule would work best with the farm life. Ed graduated from the eighth grade and began trucking and buying/selling commodities across the country for his parents.

Ed was a member of the Grace Lutheran Church in Lake Benton and was involved in activities such as ushering and assisting with volunteer programs. He was a Lions member serving as the President for a few years to help his local community.

Ed had a special love for the outdoors and anything with wheels. He especially enjoyed riding side-by-side and snowmobiling with Janis, particularly in the beautiful Black Hills. Motorcycles were always a hobby and owning many different Harleys and eventually a Lehman Harley trike. Ed and Janis took many trips across the country from riding the Tail of the Dragon in NC to the various National Parks out west. Their favorite was the Black Hills during the Sturgis Rally to ride with family and friends. He also took great pride in caring for and driving his antique cars and pickups. They were members of both the Model T & Model A touring clubs and traveled to places such as KS, IA, MN & MO. They once hosted a Model A event in downtown Lake Benton.

Driving truck across the country Ed enjoyed the scenery and his favorite places he would later take Janis in their motorhome to visit during the summer months. He always had a passion for the west and the mountains. He was able to travel and see 49 states in his lifetime (except Hawaii as it is difficult to drive there).

His occupation (or many would refer to it as his hobby) was driving truck. He drove many miles across the continental US and dispatched 60+ trucks at one time via their brokerage business. He took pride in ensuring his fleet was serviced; washed and ready for the next trip for either him, Janis or hired drivers. He retired from trucking three times (thus the last truck Janis pinstriped on the back "Semi-Retired"). These interests gave him countless hours of enjoyment and many memories to share with family and friends.

Ed also had a soft spot for animals. From growing up on the farm in Edgerton; farming in Flandreau or the old Worth Farm in Lake Benton, he would care for cattle, hogs and of course Janis' horses. Later years he had an affinity for his outdoor barn cats ensuring they had enough to eat. His passion for animals and their well-being is another reflection of his caring nature.

Ed is lovingly remembered by his children, Cindy "Sara" (David) Hillestad of Rock Valley, Iowa, Keven (Becky) Faaborg of Ward, South Dakota, Cheryl (Jeff) Wilson of Hartford, South Dakota, Merlyn (Lori) Brockhouse of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Loren (Whitney) Brockhouse of Grimes, Iowa, Cheryl Vos of Tyler, Minnesota, Steve Brockhouse of Grand Forks, North Dakota, Howard Brockhouse of Middle River, Minnesota, Bradley (Sandra) Brockhouse of Keystone, South Dakota, and Ryan (AnnMarie) Brockhouse of Princeton, Minnesota.

He will also be fondly remembered by his many grandchildren, Elizabeth (Sammy) Hutchison, Christy (Zach) Norgaard, Bryan Faaborg, Brandon (McKenna) Faaborg, Jeremiah (Erin) Brockhouse, Lindsey (Alex) Palmer, Megan (Nelson) Cooper, Grant (Hannah) Brockhouse, Aspen Brockhouse, Riggs Custer, Shawn

(Katy) Vos, Kristopher (Kayla) Vos, Robbyn (Matt) Kerkaert, Abigail (Trevor) Fleming, Isabella Brockhouse, Joshua Brockhouse, Cody (Allison) Brockhouse, Connor Brockhouse, Caden Brockhouse, Rachael Brockhouse, and William Brockhouse; as well as his many great-grandchildren, Jeffy Hutchison, Ethan Hutchison, Lewis Hutchison, Corbyn Faaborg, Camryn Faaborg, Able Faaborg, Hoss Faaborg, Creek Faaborg, James Brockhouse, Augustus Palmer, Finley Palmer, Benton Brockhouse, Gage Brockhouse, Ramsey Brockhouse, Jayden Vos, Tucker Vos, Tyson Vos, Avery Vos, Haydyn Vos, Jackson Kerkaert, Justin Kerkaert and Jettison Kerkaert and his siblings, Geri Halma of Nashville, Tennessee and Alvin "Butch" Brockhouse of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Ed was preceded in death by his wife, Janis; son-in-law, Rick Vos; daughter-in-law, Peggy Brockhouse; his parents, Henry and Tressa (Ahlers) Brockhouse; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Sid Halma, Geneva (Boyd) Seaton, Rolland (Ann) Schrunck, Peggy (Robert) Clark and LaVonne (Louis) Otto; and mother- and father-in-law, Hubert and Ella Schrunck.

Ed will be deeply missed by his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family and friends. His love of family, his enjoyment of the outdoors and his passion for cars, trucks, motorcycles, UTVs and snowmobiles will remain cherished memories for all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers please direct memorial to Grace Lutheran Church or Lake Benton Fire Department.



Ed Brockhouse



Memorial Service

Saturday, September 26, 2026 - 10:30 AM
Grace Lutheran Church - Lake Benton, Minnesota

Clergy

Pastor Jeremy Haugen Pastor David Danner

Scriptures

Isaiah 61:1-3 Romans 10:9-10,13
John 14:1-4 Revelation 21:4-7

Organist - Karen Litchsinn

Congregational Hymns

"Amazing Grace" "The Old Rugged Cross"
"How Great Thou Art"

Inurnment

Memorial Hill Cemetery
Lake Benton, Minnesota