

Todd Alan Philbrick (Philly) of Grand Forks, North Dakota, passed away peacefully on August 16, 2026, at the age of 63, with his beloved parents and sisters by his side.

Todd was born on February 5, 1963, in Devils Lake, North Dakota, to Frank and Luella Philbrick. He was raised in Lakota, North Dakota, graduating from Lakota High School in 1981. He went on to attend Mayville State College.

After college, in the '80s, Todd began driving semi-truck for Coca-Cola and Frito-Lay. In 1990, Todd's entrepreneurial spirit led him to own and operate Lumpy's Subs in Grand Forks. It was at Lumpy's that Todd met the love of his life, Leslie Hadley. The two were married on February 12, 1992.

Todd's next business venture brought him back to his true passion: trucking. He started his own trucking company, Phil-Co, which he continued to operate until his unexpected passing.

Todd had a lifelong love of sports. He played basketball, football, and men's softball. He especially enjoyed watching football and NASCAR races. Sprint car race nights with his dad, Frank, and stepson Ryan were cherished memories for Todd.

Todd treasured time with his family. At family gatherings, you could often find him sitting down for a game of Pinochle. Those games were filled with laughter, friendly competition, and memories that his family will treasure for years to come.

Todd will be remembered for his unforgettable laughter, generous heart, unwavering strength, and the example he set for everyone fortunate enough to know and love him. He had a way of making people feel welcome. His family and friends will remember his loyalty, humor, and kindness. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Todd is survived by his parents, Frank and Luella Philbrick of Fargo; stepson, Ryan (Katelin) Landsdown of Grand Forks; granddaughters, Hadley and Brooklyn; a grandson on the way; sisters, Twyla Tunseth of Grand Forks and Beth (Gordie) Skjerseth of Mandan; mother-in-law, Sandy Hadley; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends.

Todd was preceded in death by his wife, Leslie, with whom he shared 22 wonderful years before her untimely passing in 2014. He was also preceded in death by his father-in-law, Larry Hadley, and his brother-in-law, Mike Tunseth.



I'm Free

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 undone must stay that way.
I found that peace at 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 you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much,
good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and share with me
God wanted me now:
He set me free.



TODD ALAN PHILBRICK

February 05, 1963  August 16, 2026

DATE & TIME OF SERVICE

Friday ▪ August 21, 2026 ▪ 11:00am

United Lutheran Church

Grand Forks, North Dakota

OFFICIATING

Pastor Rich Kramer ▪ Pastor Becky Lee

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 23 ▪ Revelation: 21, 1-7

John: 14, 1-7

MUSICAL SELECTIONS

“Amazing Grace” ▪ “Even Though I’m Leaving”

“Love Without End, Amen” ▪ “How Great Thou Art”

“Old Rugged Cross”

Soloist: Gordie Skjerseth (Brother-in-Law)

Song Lead: Michael Marcotte

Accompanist: Ruth Ann Tuseth

The family wishes to express their appreciation
for your thoughts and prayers. Please join
them for lunch following the service

