



I'm There Inside Your Heart

*Right now I'm in a different place,
And though we seem apart,
I'm closer than I ever was....
I'm there inside your heart.*

*I'm with you when you greet each day,
And while the sun shines bright,
I'm there to share the sunsets, too...
I'm with you every night.*

*I'm with you when the times are good
To share a laugh or two,
And if a tear should start to fall...
I'm always there for you.*

*And when that day arrives
That we no longer are apart,
I'll smile and hold you close to me...
Forever in my heart.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Robert Wesley Tietjen

WHO WAS BORN

July 11, 1954
Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

April 4, 2024
Corona, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, April 11, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.
Emanuel Lutheran Church
Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Reverend Chris Davis

MUSICIANS

Kristy Tostenson, Organist
Jasmine Tietjen, Vocalist
Madison Ferguson, Violinist

CASKET BEARERS

Jay & Angie Akerman | Bob & Michelle Berens
Steve & Melissa Phillips | Travis Tietjen | Todd Sprung

HONORARY BEARERS

Staff at Avera At-Home Hospice

INTERMENT

Milbank City Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

APPRECIATION

Robert's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply
appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family
for lunch and fellowship at the church dining hall.

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

*R*obert Wesley Tietjen was born on July 11, 1954, at St. Bernard's Hospital in Milbank, SD, to Gordon and Esther (Buck) Tietjen. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Corona, SD. He attended school in Corona through eighth grade. After his education, he worked on the family farm as well as for Willard Steege. In his younger years, Robert enjoyed deer and pheasant hunting with his older brother, Richard, as well as racing cars with his many friends. He worked for Firestone in Milbank, SD, and in Fargo, ND. Later, he worked for Annett & R.E. Lien Construction.

Robert was united in marriage with Donna Borchert on April 19, 1980, at Trinity Lutheran Church. In 1994, Robert started Tietjen Blading where he bladed and removed snow for several townships, buried numerous rock piles, and took down old building sites until his health declined. Robert was a hardworking man and took great pride in his work.

Robert was a member of the Emanuel Lutheran Church in Milbank. He treasured his time spent with family, whether it was deer hunting, holiday celebrations, or just spending time talking with them.

Left to cherish Robert's memory are his wife of 43 years, Donna Tietjen of Corona, SD; daughters: Jessica (Ryan) Spanton of Milbank, SD; Karen (Alex) Ferguson of Godfrey, IL; and Wendy Faughn of Ortonville, MN; nine grandchildren: Logan Tietjen, Jasmine Tietjen, Tristan Ferguson, Madison Ferguson, Katelyn Ferguson, Amy (Jack) DeWitt, Zachary (Emily) Cramer, Sydney Spanton, and Riley Spanton; two great-grandchildren: Allison DeWitt and Kohen Cramer; brothers: Roger (Robin) Tietjen of Big Stone City, SD; and Scott (Heather) Tietjen of Baltic, SD; and sister-in-law, Linda (Tom) Pauli of Milbank, SD.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Gordon and Esther; stepfather, Mervin Wiese; granddaughter, MyKayla Cramer; great-grandson, Jack DeWitt III; son-in-law, Stephen Cramer; brother, Richard Tietjen; and sister-in-law, JoNell Borchert.

In Loving Memory Of



Robert Tietjen

1954 - 2024