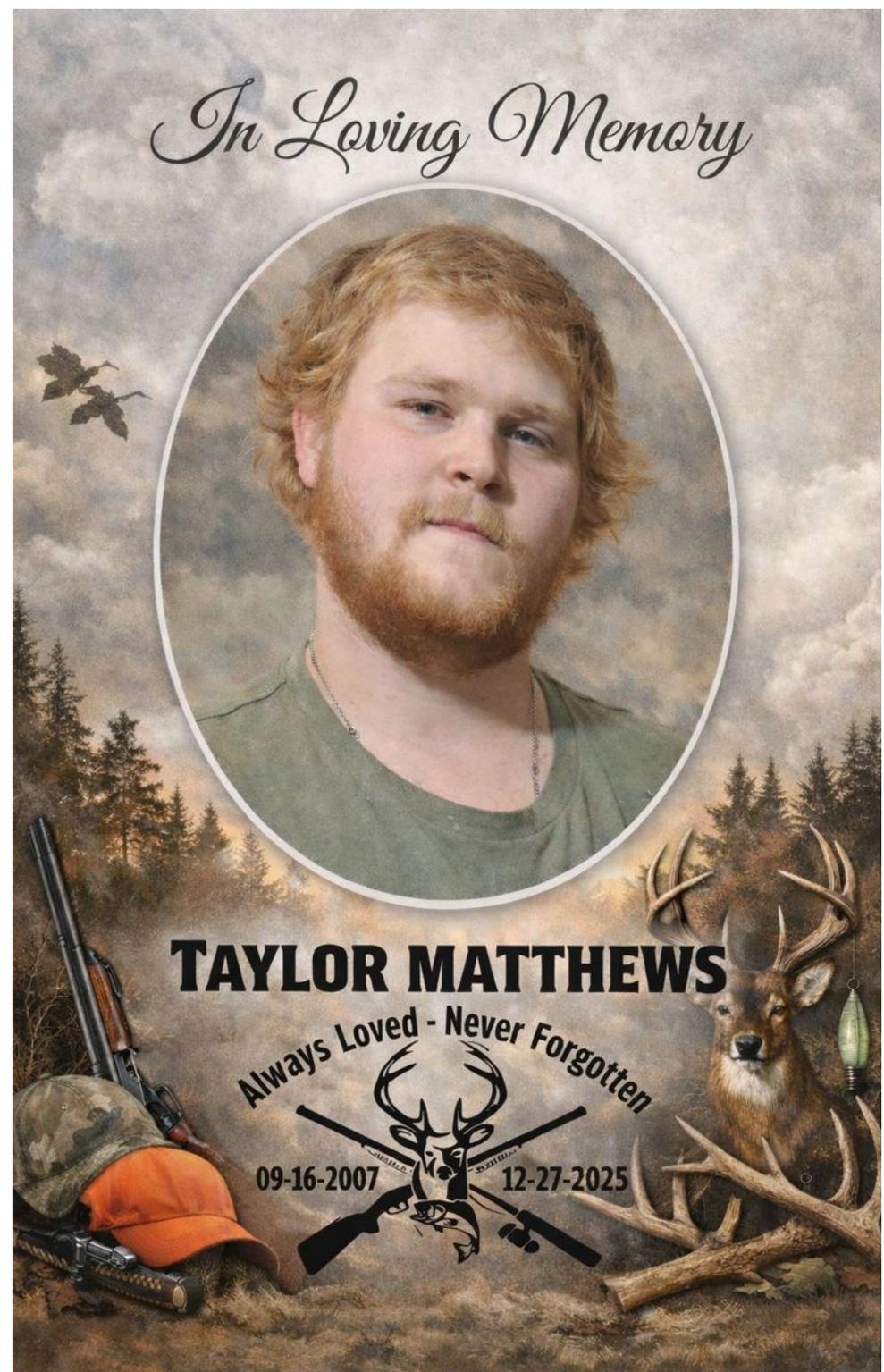




Right now I'm in a different place
& though we seem apart
I'm closer than I ever was.....
I'm there inside your heart
I'm with you when you greet each day
And while the sun shines bright
I'm there to share the sunsets, too.....
I'm with you every night
I'm with you when the times are good,
To share a laugh or two,
And if a tear should start to fall.....
I'll still be there for you
And when that day arrives that we are no longer apart,
I'll smile and hold you close to me.....
Forever in my heart

Please scan the QR code
to view Taylor's
Celebration of Life video.



Taylor John Matthews, 18, of Wing, ND, died by suicide on December 27, 2025, in Bismarck, ND.

Taylor was born on September 16, 2007, at St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck to Darci Dockter and Sean Matthews. He was raised and educated in Wing and McClusky, ND.

Taylor was a senior in high school this year. He worked in Bismarck for a lawn care and snow removal company, where he took pride in his hard work.

Taylor participated in FFA and had a deep love for farming. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, and working on vehicles—anything that kept him outdoors or busy with his hands. Taylor was well liked in the communities he lived in and was known for his kind heart and loyalty. He cherished his friends deeply and especially loved spending time with his little sister.

Taylor is survived by his mother, Darci (Darcy) Jorgensen of Wing, ND; his father, Sean Matthews of Bismarck, ND; sister, Tiera Matthews of Wing, ND; grandparents, Ron and Joan Dockter, Wing, ND; aunts and uncles, Dennis (Shelly) Dockter, Danny Dockter, Patrick (Sarah) Dockter, Evony (Eric) Hansen, Jessica Dockter, Jeff Dockter, and Kayla (Chad) Elsen, Thane (Nikki) Dockter of Menoken, ND, Sabrina Dockter of Omaha, NE and Desirae Dockter of Lincoln, NE; many cousins; great-aunts and great-uncles; special friends, Lane (Karlee) Doll; and his fishing and hunting buddies, Brad Ely, Britton Schlafmann, Kasen Bosch, and many others who will miss him dearly.

Taylor will be remembered for his love of the outdoors, his strong work ethic, and the many friendships he formed throughout his life.

Taylor was preceded in death by his grandma, Renee Matthews; grandpa, Kenny Dockter and great-grandparents, Walt and Bertha Dockter as well as Elmer and Viola Schuh.

~ *Burial will take place at a later date at the Wing Cemetery.* ~

Prayer Service
Presider
Memorial Service

Friday, January 9, 2026; 7:00 PM
Pastor Trisha DeBoer
Saturday, January 10, 2026; 11:00 AM
Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church
412 Mann Street, Wing, ND
Pastor Trisha DeBoer
Lane Doll

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Lighting of Taylor's Baptismal Candle

Gathering

Thanksgiving for Baptism with responses

*Taylor Matthews was baptized into Christ on April 10, 2010.
We give thanks for Jesus' promise of life for Taylor.*

Entrance Music

"I Am Not Okay" by Jelly Roll

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Psalm 8

Psalm 25

Romans 8:38-39

Mark 16:16

Sermon

Music

"Huntin', Fishin', & Lovin' Every Day" by Luke Bryan

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Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Reading of a Poem by Tiera Matthews

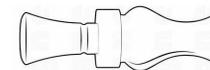
Here, Taylor's baptismal candle will be extinguished, as his baptism is complete and we trust that Taylor rests in the everlasting care of Jesus.

Commendation

Benediction

Sending Music

"Go Rest High on that Mountain" by Vince Gill



As the service concludes, all are invited outside. Once all are out, there will be a "Duck Call Sendoff," organized by Taylor's friends.

Afterward, all are invited downstairs for lunch & fellowship.