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Bernard was baptized on June 1, 1958 in Sioux Falls and confirmed at St. Mary Catholic Church in Dell Rapids. He enjoyed trapping, hunting, fishing, gambling (slots) and attending auctions. He also enjoyed playing horseshoes, darts, pool. He loved babysitting grandkids with Julie. They would drive around and get lost in the country finding little lakes and big groves. He always looked forward to the next South Dakota style dog roast.

He is lovingly remembered by his significant other, Julie DeWitte of Pipestone, Minnesota; four children, Keith Krempges of Pipestone, Kyle Krempges of Hatfield, Minnesota, Kory Krempges (Courtney Halverson) of Hatfield, and Karly Krempges (Tyler Stevens) of Egan, South Dakota; three step-daughters, Jess (Brandon) Prine, Amanda (Keith) Lanners and Megan (Austin) DeWitte; 13 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren with one on the way; three siblings, Jean Ann (Doug) Feuerhelm, Dan (Moe) Krempges and Craig Krempges; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Penny; his parents; three brothers, John, Denis and Kelly; two sisters, Kathy Davis and Kristie Theefeld; foster sister, Angie Metli; nephew, Josh Krempges; great-niece, Mariana Krempges; sister-in-law, Sherry Daily; brother-in-law, Joe Theefeld; and step-grandson, Kaiser Frederickson.

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Officiating

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