Paul David Tehle was born on December 11, 1961, to Daniel and Donna (Heitkamp) Tehle at St. Francis Hospital, Breckenridge, MN. He attended St. John's Elementary School in Wahpeton, ND, and graduated from Wahpeton High School in 1980. He continued his education at the North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, and spent a majority of his career selling heavy machinery, most recently as owner and operator of Honker Machinery Inc. (2011). He married Tammy (Ista) Tehle on August 29, 1992, at Calvary United Methodist Church, Fargo, ND.

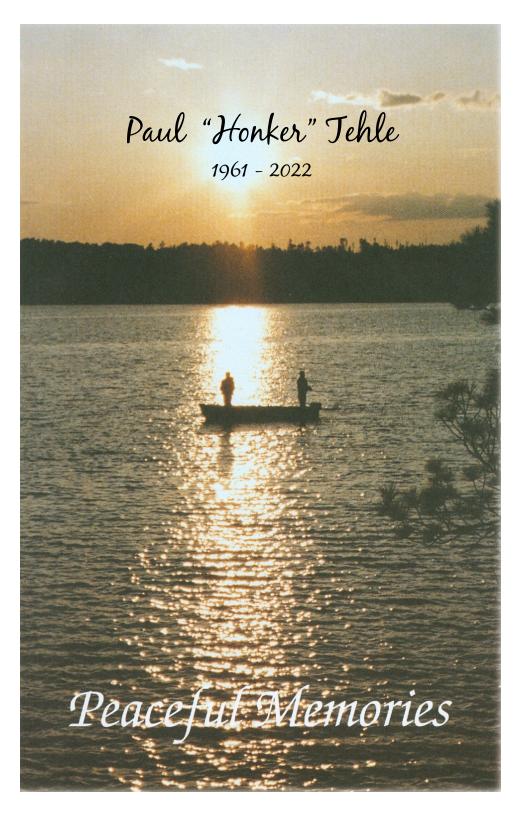
Paul was an avid North Dakota State Bison Football fan, and thoroughly enjoyed many outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, and golfing. He attended cooking classes with Tammy, and the two were always up for an adventure. Paul was most proud of his wife, Tammy, as well as his niece and nephew. Paul was original in every regard. He held a deep passion for music, and was the first to support anyone's musical aspirations. He loved the winter trips to Hawaii, and floating in his backyard pool. Paul was joyful, kind, patient, and a loyal friend. Paul always had a joke, wore a smile, and was up for a great time. Many were blessed to call him a part of their family, and many consider him a close personal friend. He loved his friends and customers, and he will be forever missed by all who knew and loved him.

He will be deeply missed by his wife, Tammy, Walcott, ND; brother, Daniel Jr. (Karen) Tehle; niece Kristin (Elijah) Larson, and their children, Fargo, ND; nephew, Adam (Lindsey) Lugsch-Tehle, Fargo, ND; stepmother, Stacy Tehle, Westminster, CO; step-siblings, Debra (Cory) Mulvaney, Fargo, ND, Kathleen (David) Reed, Westminster, CO, Scott (Angie) White, Arvada, CO; brother-in-law, Blake Ista, Walcott, ND; as well as his countless cousins who he held in high regard; many friends; and a big, white, German Shepherd.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel Sr. and Donna Tehle; and in-laws, George and Agnes Ista.

Paul's family wishes to thank the ICU nursing staff at Sanford Medical Center in Fargo for their exceptional care and concern during his illness.

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Life is amazing. And then it's awful.

And then it's amazing again.

And in between the amazing and awful,
it's ordinary and mundane and routine.

Breathe in the amazing,

hold on through the awful, and relax and exhale during the ordinary. That's just living heartbreaking,

soul-healing, amazing, awful, ordinary life.

And it's breathtakingly beautiful.

In Loving Memory Paul "Honker" Tehle

Born

December 11, 1961 - Breckenridge, Minnesota

Passed Away
December 3, 2022 - Fargo, North Dakota

Age 60 Years 11 Months 23 Days

Funeral Mass

2:00 PM - Monday, December 12, 2022 St. John's Catholic Church - Wahpeton, North Dakota

> Officiant Fr. Paul Kuhn

Organist
Pat Keaveny

Cantor Karen Kreller

VocalistSteve Luebke Family

Pallbearers

Steve Luebke, Mark Dahm, Cody Reiland Vance Wagner, Terry Eiter, Brandon Johnson

Burial At A Later Date