



Donald J. "Bud" Stieha passed away on April 7, 2023, at the age of 72 while in the caring hands of Sanford Hospice House in Fargo, ND.

Bud was born on October 7, 1950, to Donald and Gladysann (Kasperson) Stieha in Britton, SD. Bud grew up on his family farm and attended school in Britton, SD until he graduated high school in 1968. After high school, Bud enlisted in the Navy and spent six years serving his country. He went on to attend North Dakota

State University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in computer science. After graduating, Bud started working in IT. He spent many years working for General Equipment, but most recently, he was working for Titan Equipment in Fargo.

On August 25, 1979, Bud was united in marriage to LeeAnn Bergquist. Together they made their home in Fargo.

Bud had a love for the outdoors and enjoyed hunting and fishing. His happy place was at their lake home in South Dakota; there he could enjoy his two favorite things: family and the outdoors. Bud was a tried-and-true Bison sports fan and enjoyed attending RedHawks baseball games. What brought Bud even more joy was being involved, and following his nieces and nephews, and great-nieces and nephews, extra-curricular events. Bud was everyone's biggest fan; it seemed anywhere he went, he was everyone's "Uncle Bud".

Bud loved life and loved sharing life with his family and friends. He would bring joy and laughter into almost any situation, even with one of his charmingly dry jokes. Bud was kind and compassionate. He demonstrated that daily with his involvement in the community and his church, Dilworth Lutheran Church. Bud was a long-time member of the American Legion and VFW in Moorhead. He also served as a board member for Eventide Lutheran Homes.

Bud will be greatly missed and forever lovingly remembered by his entire family, friends, and everyone who knew him as "Uncle Bud".

Bud is survived by his wife of 43 years, LeeAnn; daughter, Christina Sorensen; grandchildren, Janna, Cam, and Kennedy Sorensen; sisters, Becke Hicks and Laurie (Steve) Klefstad; brothers, John (Vicki) Stieha and Todd (Patty) Stieha; aunt, Joyce Stieha; sisters-in-law, Jeannie (Kenny) Highness, Lori (Jon) Quittschreiber; and many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Bud was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Gladysann; sister, Dawn Skog; and brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Bill and Annie Bergquist.

In Loving Memory Of

Donald "Bud" Stieha

October 7, 1950 - April 7, 2023

Bud's Memorial Service

Saturday, April 15, 2023 ~ 11:00 AM

Dilworth Lutheran Church

Dilworth, Minnesota

Officiating

Rev. Elizabeth Hiller

Special Music

Lullaby, Goodnight My Angel

Lord's Prayer

Jeffrey Klefstad, soloist

Congregational Hymns

How Great Thou Art

Jesus Loves Me

Kris Nelson, accompanist

Honorary Casket Bearers

Bud's nieces and nephews

The Burial

Oak Grove Cemetery

Fergus Falls, Minnesota

The family of Bud Stieha thanks you for your presence here today and for your many acts of kindness.

Following the service you are invited to join the family for a time of lunch and fellowship.

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me

To be a happy one,

I'd like to leave

an afterglow of
smiles

when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo

Whispering softly down the ways,

Of happy times and laughing times

And bright & sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve,

To dry before the sun
Of *happy memories*
that I leave behind

When life is done.