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Leonard will be remembered for his kindness, his beaming smile, and his humility. He was always ready to help, and would give the shirt off his back if you needed it. He gave of himself physically, mentally, and financially for the betterment of those around him, and the causes he cared deeply about. He was called a good friend by many around him. His values were those of the Creator's, always trying his best to live life in God's image. Leonard loved to travel to various churches in the local area to hear sermons and to connect with others. His hobbies included fishing and automotive culture. He enjoyed going to car shows and he was always quick to point out a rare classic car.

Leonard is survived by his children, Austin (Alba) Burch of Rio Rancho, New Mexico and Lauren (Jeremy) Wallaert of Estacada, Oregon; his sister, Elaine (Elroy) Uilk of Pipestone, Minnesota; and five grandchildren, Adeline, Autumn & Amelia Burch, and Hailey & Norah Wallaert. He is preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Helen Hinrichs; and his brother, Edward Burch.

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