

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ALLEN BJERLAND
FEBRUARY 29, 1940—JULY 23, 2023

Funeral Service

2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2023
Nut Lake Lutheran Church
Nut Lake, SK

Officiating

Pastor Hugh Farmer

Organist

Jeanette Lipinski

Obituary

Leila Bjerland

Hymns

How Great Thou Art
Amazing Grace
Ancient Words

Pallbearers

Nathaniel Wiebe

Interment

Nut Lake Lutheran Cemetery
Nut Lake, SK

ANNOUNCEMENT

The family wishes to invite you for a time of fellowship and refreshments at the Rose Valley Seniors Center following the burial

Allen Bjerland was born February 29, 1940, to Orlo and Emma Bjerland. He is the eldest of five children. Allen was baptized on May 12, 1940, and also confirmed at Nut Lake Lutheran Church. He attended the West Shore School and went to church at the Nut Lake Lutheran Church with his family. As a young boy, he had tuberculosis. At that time, the cure for it was rest and fresh air in a sanatorium (where he spent three years in order to fully recover). There he learned how to do leatherwork and made many wallets and coin purses for his family and friends. When he got older, he helped farm the Bjerland farm with his father.

Allen married Lorraine Kuc on April 25, 1964 at Nut Lake Lutheran Church. They built a house and lived in the same yard as Orlo and Emma Bjerland. They had three children: Leila, Michael, and Kyle. He often took his children with him on the tractor to help feed the cattle and do the milking. Their family lived there for 12 years. Allen then purchased the Gjerde farm. He moved their existing home and added it on to the house in that yard. Allen continued to farm there. He was one of the first people in the West Shore District to own a round baler. Once he was done baling his own hay, he would custom bale for other farmers. Allen was good at fixing his equipment and fencing. Allen was an active member within the community. He liked to go to fall suppers, play ball, and attend the local hockey games. Allen enjoyed taking his family fishing and camping and was a good swimmer and fisherman. He enjoyed stopping in for coffee and visiting with his family and neighbors.

Allen and Lorraine later divorced. It was a hard time for him and for his family. His faith, family, and friends helped him through that difficult time. He moved from the farm to town due to health reasons. Allen moved to the Rose Valley Manor, and then later to Pleasant View Care Home in Wadena. He enjoyed the visits he received from his family and friends and the activities that were held there.

Allen passed away peacefully on July 23, 2023. He is survived by his children: Leila Bjerland (Dan Wiebe), Michael Bjerland (Glorianne), and Kyle Bjerland, his grandchildren: Joshua Wiebe, Nathaniel Wiebe, Mackenzie Bjerland, Josephine Bjerland, Jessica Westover (Landon), his siblings: Anita Kulbatski, Ester Czarnocki, Earl Bjerland (Bea), Arlen Bjerland (Karen), numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is pre-deceased by his parents Orlo and Emma Bjerland, step-grandson Lee Buryim, brothers-in-law Louie Czarnoski and Leonard Kulbatski, his grandparents Ole and Anna Bjerland and Andrew and Beda Johnson, as well as many aunts and uncles.

Because I Could Not Stop For Death

Because I could not stop for Death –
He kindly stopped for me –
The Carriage held but just Ourselves –
And Immortality.

We slowly drove – He knew no haste
And I had put away
My labor and my leisure too,
For His Civility –

We passed the School, where Children strove
At Recess – in the Ring –
We passed the Fields of Gazing Grain –
We passed the Setting Sun –

Or rather – He passed Us –
The Dews drew quivering and Chill –
For only Gossamer, my Gown –
My Tippet – only Tulle –

We paused before a House that seemed
A Swelling of the Ground –
The Roof was scarcely visible –
The Cornice – in the Ground –

Since then – 'tis Centuries – and yet
Feels shorter than the Day
I first surmised the Horses' Heads
Were toward Eternity –

- By Emily Dickinson

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family would like to extend their thanks to all of you here with us today, both in person and those viewing online.

Tompkins
FUNERAL HOME
& CREMATORIUM

In Loving

Memory



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