



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Bruce Allen Novak

WHO WAS BORN

April 27, 1948

Ortonville, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME

March 5, 2023

Appleton, Minnesota

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, April 1, 2023 - 1:30 p.m.

Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home Chapel

Ortonville, Minnesota

OFFICIANT

Reverend Nathaniel Brown

MUSICIANS

Pam (Stock) Chase, Accompanist

Becky Pansch, Vocalist

URN BEARER

Kaitlyn Bylsma

INURNMENT

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Odessa, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Bruce's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.

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When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be thankful for our **MANY BEAUTIFUL**

years
I gave to you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave
to me in **HAPPINESS.**

I thank you for the love you each have shown,

But now it's time I travel on alone.

So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must,

Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It is only for a time that we must part,

So bless the memories within your **HEART.**

I won't be far away, for life goes on,

So if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near.

And if you listen with your heart you'll hear,

All my love around you soft and clear.

And then, When you must come this way alone,

I'll greet you with a smile, and say...

Welcome Home

Bruce Allen Novak was born on April 27, 1948, in Ortonville, MN, to George and Virginia (Schulte) Novak. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran in Odessa, MN. He grew up in Odessa, MN.

After high school, Bruce attended college at Minnesota West Community and Technical College in Granite Falls, MN, he then spent a year in California after graduation. He returned to Minnesota and married Brenda Dittes. He and Brenda moved to Marshall, MN, where he continued his education at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall, MN, and received his bachelor's degree.

Bruce's career as a truck dispatcher took him to Nebraska, Mississippi, New Mexico, Utah, Indiana and Wisconsin. He returned to Minnesota in the early 2000's. After retiring from his career in dispatching, he returned to the Odessa area and worked as a Motel Manager in Appleton, MN. Bruce was a resident at the Appleton Area Health Care Center from July 2019 until his passing. He enjoyed a good game of cards, reading, playing softball and golf.

Bruce is survived by his mother, Virginia "Ginny" Novak of Ortonville, MN; daughter, Kristin (Kenneth) Bylsma of Lombard, IL; granddaughter, Kaitlyn Bylsma of Lombard, IL; sister, Jill (Robert) Mason of Eagle Lake, MN; niece, Amanda Hunt of Shakopee, MN; nephew, Alexander Hunt of Mankato, MN; and sister-in-law, Georgia Novak of Plainfield, IN.

He was preceded in death by his father, George Novak; and brothers: Kerry Novak and Scott Novak; and former wife, Brenda Novak (div.)

