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“EDDIE,” EDWARD JR. BECKNELL JR.

Edward J. “Eddie” Becknell Jr., 61, Bismarck, passed away July 19, 2020 at Sanford Health, Bismarck.

Eddie was born September 8, 1958 to Edward J. Becknell Sr. and Caroline (Keller) Becknell. He was raised in Bismarck where he lived all of his life. Eddie attended St. Mary's Grade School, Simle Jr. High, Bismarck High School, and also took mechanic courses at Bismarck State College. He started working at a young age and had several jobs throughout his lifetime, always taking the job seriously and putting forth his best effort. Eddie was employed as a warehouse worker at Sanford Health in Bismarck until his health put him in the hospital.



Eddie loved life and cared about so many people. Everyone loved him and he will be greatly missed. Many of the hospital staff at Sanford knew his friendly face when he delivered hospital supplies. In 1989 Eddie married Arlene Klien. It was love at first sight when he swept her off her feet. They were blessed with 31 years together and just celebrated their anniversary on July 15, when Eddie squeezed Arlene's hand for the last time. Arlene was by his side as he took his last breath to go be with the Lord and Savior.

Eddie loved riding motorcycle, camping, playing guitar, dancing to country western music, Nascar racing, classic cars, and visiting with family and friends. His co-workers will miss his one-liners that were catchy and made them laugh. He had a great sense of humor.

Blessed to have shared in his life is his wife, Arlene Becknell, Bismarck; son, Jason Michael Becknell, Bismarck; step-son, Brian (Rebecca) Bittner, Thief River Falls, MN; granddaughter, Ashlyn Becknell, Bismarck; sister, Carol Thiel, Havre, MT; brother, James (Patricia) Becknell, Springfield, OR; sisters-in-law, Carol Zimmermann, Mandan and Ethel (Doug) Heald, Sunrise Beach, MO; brothers-in-law, Dwight (Colleen) Klien, Bismarck and Bert Esser, Hoogeveen, Netherlands; many cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, co-workers, friends, and the Central Dakota Chapter Harley Group Riders. His friends are so many, it's hard to name them all.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Alice Hohbein and Edvina Becknell; and brothers-in-law, Marcel Thiel, and Duane Zimmermann.

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Eddie.



SAFELY HOME

I AM HOME IN HEAVEN, DEAR ONES;

OH, SO HAPPY AND SO BRIGHT!

THERE IS A PERFECT JOY AND

BEAUTY IN THE EVERLASTING LIGHT.

ALL THE PAIN AND GRIEF IS OVER,

EVERY RESTLESS TOSSING PASSED;

I AM NOW AT PEACE FOREVER,

SAFELY HOME IN HEAVEN AT LAST.

THERE IS WORK STILL WAITING FOR YOU,

SO YOU MUST NOT IDLY STAND,

DO IT NOW, WHILE LIFE REMAINETH—

YOU SHALL REST IN GOD'S OWN LAND.

WHEN THAT WORK IS ALL COMPLETED,

HE WILL GENTLY CALL YOU HOME;

OH, THE RAPTURE OF THAT MEETING

OH, THE JOY TO SEE YOU COME!

Funeral Service

Officiant

Musician

Vocalist

Audio Video

Honorary Casketbearers

Casketbearers

Gathering Music

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Processional

Welcoming of the Congregation

Prayer of the Day

Reading of the Obituary

Scripture Reading

Sermon

Solo

Apostle's Creed

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Recessional

Friday, July 24, 2020; 10:30 AM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 502 N 4th St., Bismarck, ND

Rev. Mark Narum

Scott Hauser

Don Engbrecht

Jim Lewis

Sanford Warehouse Staff & Dakota Chapter of Harley Owners

Dwight Kilen, Hugo Gross, David Kessel, Scott Steingruber, Dave Mills, & Mike Rambur

“Amazing Grace”

Psalms 121

“How Great Thou Art”

Committal will take place at Fairview Cemetery following the funeral service.

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Message from Arlene to Eddie

I WANTED FOR LIFE, YOU AND ME "IN THE WIND".

I NEVER THOUGHT THERE WOULD COME A TIME
THAT OUR STORY WOULD END.

IT'S HARD TO UNDERSTAND,
BUT I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO TRY.

IT'S NOT EASY TO SAY GOODBYE.

FOR ALL THE JOY WE SHARED,
ALL THAT TIME WE HAD TO SPEND.

NOW IF I HAD ONE WISH,
I'D WANT FOREVER BACK AGAIN.

I REMEMBER ALL THOSE GREAT TIMES WE HAD.

SO MANY MEMORIES, SOME GOOD, SOME BAD.

YES AND THROUGH IT ALL,
THOSE MEMORIES WILL LAST FOREVER.

THERE'S PEACE IN WHERE YOU ARE,
MAYBE ALL I NEED TO KNOW.

AND IF I LISTEN TO MY HEART,
I'LL HEAR YOUR LAUGHTER ONCE MORE.

AND SO I HAVE TO SAY I'M GLAD YOU CAME MY WAY.

IT'S NOT EASY TO SAY GOODBYE.
GOODBYE MY LOVE, NOW AND FOREVER.