



Matthew "Matt" Scott Olson was born on December 11, 1969, in Willmar, Minnesota, the son of Bruce and Carolyn (Melby) Olson. He grew up in Willmar, was baptized and confirmed at Vinje Lutheran Church and graduated from Willmar High School in 1988. In 1992, Matt graduated from St. Cloud State University and began working in the real estate business. On August 17, 1996, Matt was united in marriage to Dana Jefson. They made their home in the West Metro area where Matt was employed by United

Properties as a commercial real estate agent from 1996 to 2010. In 2010, they moved to the Spicer community and Matt worked alongside his mother, Carolyn at Edina Realty in Willmar. In 2012, Matt joined the team at New London Real Estate.

He was a member of the Open Door Church and was active with the NL-S Grounds Crew and the River Lakes Youth Hockey program. He served on the player development committee and as a youth hockey coach for 12 years.



Matt was the most humble and kind father, husband, son, brother, and friend. Matt was truly "the friend a friend would like to have." His favorite things to do with his buddies were golfing, hunting and fishing; but above all, Matt loved spending time with his family. Whether at home or on the lake, that was where he loved to be. He loved everything hockey, from playing in his younger years to coaching his kids up until this year. He will forever be missed by all, but never ever forgotten.

He is survived by his loving wife, Dana; his three wonderful children, Paige, Brady and Sophia; his parents, Bruce and Carolyn Olson of Spicer; three siblings, Chris (and Sue) Olson of Steamboat Springs, CO., Jon (and Michelle) Olson of Spicer and Ben (and Tanya) Olson of Willmar. Also surviving is his mother-in-law, Marcia Johnston of Woodbury; his father-in-law, Bruce Jefson of Oakdale and his beloved canine companions, Kasey and "Little Buddy", besides many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; Earl and Dorothy Olson and Art and Marion Melby.



Celebrating the Life of



Matt Olson

1969 - 2022



*When I come to
the end of the day
And the sun has
set for me
I want no rites in a
gloom-filled room.*



Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not too long

And not with your

head bowed low.

Remember the love

we once shared—

Miss me,

but let me go.



For this is a journey

we all must take

And each must go alone.

It's all a part of the Maker's plan,

A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart

Go to the friends we

know

And bury your

sorrows in doing

good deeds—

Miss me,

but let me go.



In Loving Memory Of

Matt Olson

December 11, 1969

Willmar, Minnesota

August 12, 2022

Spicer, Minnesota

Celebration of Life Service

Thursday, August 18, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.

The Open Door Christian Church

Spicer, Minnesota

Processional

Song "The Rose" Daidre Bakke, Brady Pearson & Callie Danielson

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Scripture Romans 5:3-5, Isaiah 40:31, II Timothy 4:6-7 & Proverbs 3:5-6
Brad Schultz & Jenny Novak

Song "I Can Only Imagine"

Friend and Family Memories

Brad Schultz, Jeff Hardy, Paige Olson & Brady Olson

Message

Pastor Steve Bakke

Song "Even Though I'm Leaving"

Closing Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Commendation

Invitation to Gather

Recessional

Honorary Pallbearers

ALL of Matt's Friends