Douglas Frank Mednansky was born June 6, 1961 in Belle Fourche. He was the son of Frank and Minerva (Leopold) Mednansky. Doug grew up in Belle Fourche, where he graduated from high school in 1979. After high school, he attended Black Hills State University. On July 23, 1983, Doug was united in marriage to VaLynn Wendland at the St. James Lutheran Church in Belle Fourche. To this union 3 sons were born: Aaron, Eric, and Michael. Doug loved his boys very much and they made him very proud.

In 1976, Doug started working with his dad at Mednansky Oil in Newell. Then in 1992, Doug moved into the insurance industry with Farmers Insurance and Center of the Nation Insurance. In 2001, Doug established Eagle Enterprises LLC where he worked as an energy consultant. Doug enjoyed his role of helping people conserve energy and save money on their electrical needs.

For almost all of his life, Doug lived in the same house which was something that made him proud. He loved music and he especially loved southern gospel music by Bill Gaither. Just last year, Doug and VaLynn took a cruise of a lifetime with the Gaither's and the music and the fun was fabulous. Doug was a man with a great sense of humor. He was passionate about many things; he was generous and he had a great heart. He loved his grandchildren so much. They filled his heart. He also loved his wife. She was his best friend, and he always said she was a saint to him. Doug will be missed greatly by his family and his friends.

Doug when home to heaven age the age of 61, on Saturday, April 29, 2023. He is survived by his wife VaLynn of Belle Fourche; 3 sons, Aaron (Callie) of Rapid City, Eric of Belle Fourche, Michael (Rachel) of Janesville WI; 5 grandchildren, Grace, Abigail, James, Hadley, and Adeline. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his aunt and uncle, Harvey and Margaret Leopold.

May God Bless the Memory of Douglas Mednansky.

Forever In Our Hearts



Douglas Mednansky June 6, 1961 April 29, 2023

Should you go first and I remain,
To walk the road alone,
I'll live in memory's garden, dear,
With happy days we've known.
In Spring I'll wait for roses red,
When fades the lilac blue,
In early Fall when brown leaves call
I'll catch a glimpse of you.

Should you go first and I remain,
To finish with the scroll,
No length 'ning shadows shall creep in
To make this life seem droll.
We've known so much of happiness,
We've had our cup of joy,
And memory is one gift of God
That death cannot destroy.

Should you go first and I remain,
For battles to be fought,
For battles to be fought,
Each thing you've touched along the way
Will be a hallowed spot.
I'll hear your voice, I'll see your smile,
Though blindly I may grope,
The memory of your helping hand
Will buoy me on with hope.

Should you go first and I remain,
One thing I'd have you do:
Walk slowly down that long, lone path,
For soon I'll follow you.
I'll want to know each step you take
That I may walk the same,
For some day down that lonely road
You'll hear me call your name.

~by A.K. Rowswell

Douglas F. Mednansky

Service of Celebration

10:30 A.M. – Thursday – May 4, 2023 Connection Church Belle Fourche, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Stephen Carson

Music

YouTube Videos Selected by Doug (Which reflect his great love for Southern Gospel music) "Beyond the Sunset/Should You Go First and I Remain" "Answer is Jesus" ~ "Sinner Saved by Grace" "Til the Storm Passes By", "Make it Real" "It is Well With My Soul", "Amazing Grace" "I Bowed on My Knees and Cried Holy"

Urnbearers

James Ager Ivan Bierema Duke Boston

Vern Hintz Bill Termes Ethan Tucker

Inurnment

Pine Slope Cemetery Belle Fourche, South Dakota



Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills

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