

The LORD is my *Shepherd;*
I shall not want.

He maketh me to
lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my
soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.

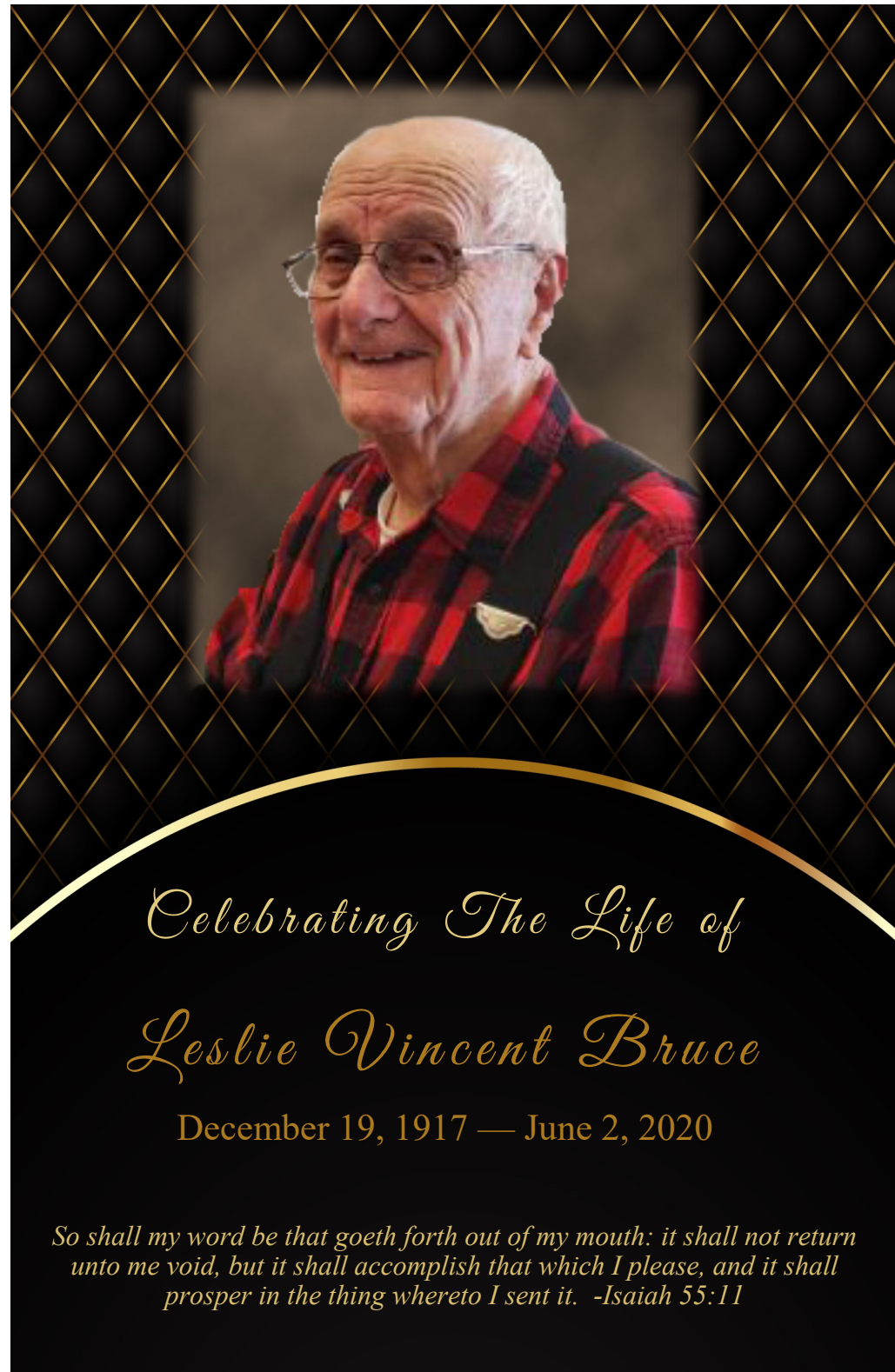
I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over

Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23



Celebrating The Life of
Leslie Vincent Bruce

December 19, 1917 — June 2, 2020

*So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return
unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall
prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. -Isaiah 55:11*

Born December 19, 1917 to Charles W Bruce and Effie (Sharp) Bruce, the youngest of five children in Marengo, Iowa. When Les was five years old, he moved with his parents and two youngest siblings to Sandy, Oregon where they lived until 1930. Les, his sister Blanche and his parents relocated to Meadows Township, Minnesota and Les lived on the family farm from 1930 until he moved to Breckenridge in 2016.

Les married Laurel Buus on October 14, 1952, and raised three children, Julie, Paul and John on the family farm. Les built the house the family lived in and farmed, milked cows and raised beef cattle, hogs and chickens until 1978 when he sold his farm equipment and rented out the farmland. He worked at Minn-Dak for ten years. Les also worked with other family farmers for years after that.

Les served on the Meadows Township Board for many years and on the District 2528 School Board. Les also worked on numerous political campaigns and on several church boards and committees. Les was an active member of the Gideons until his passing. Les was an active member of Breckenridge United Methodist Church.

Leslie was preceded in death by his parents, his siblings, his wife Laurel, his son John Bruce, as well as an infant daughter. He is succeeded by his daughter Julie (Tom) Lay, his son Paul (Beth) Bruce, daughter-in-law Mona (Don) Taylor, 13 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Les was a friend and a helper to everyone he met. He greeted everyone with a smile. Les loved to fish, play cards, fish, work jigsaw puzzles and fish. He loved his garden at the farm and shared what he grew with friends and neighbors. Les loved meeting his friends for coffee and stories, and appreciated the warm welcome he got when he moved to Breckenridge and lived near several new friends who took great care of each other. Leslie died at age 102 and will be greatly missed.

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kind expressions of sympathy and for honoring Leslie with your presence at the service.

Celebrating
T H E L I F E O F
Leslie Vincent Bruce



102 Years 5 Months 13 Days

Private Family Service

United Methodist Church
Breckenridge, Minnesota

2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 6, 2020

Participants

Pastor Mark Gronseth, officiant
Coco Gronseth, musician

Congregational Songs

Blessed Assurance ~ On Eagle's Wings ~ How Great Thou Art

Pallbearers

Colleen Bruce ~ Justin Bruce ~ Joseph Bruce
Nicholas Lay ~ Zachary Lay ~ Emily Bruce MacMillan

Honorary Pallbearers

All those who know and loved Leslie

Burial

Riverside Cemetery ~ Breckenridge, Minnesota