





MAX CHRISTOPHER SCHAF will forever be the adored son of Chris Schaf and Chantel (Bueligen) Schaf as well as the beloved brother of Ana Schaf. Max was born November 16, 2010, and passed away unexpectedly on October 2, 2023, while he was enjoying one of his favorite hobbies. He was a 7th grader at Mandan Middle School.

There are endless words to describe Max during his short, beautiful life. He continuously wore a warm smile and was a bright light to so many people. His heart of gold was evident as he cared so deeply about those he loved. Max spread perpetual kindness wherever he went. He loved to be silly, make others laugh, and tell funny jokes. Max fully embraced his life and participated in every adventure he could. He had abundant energy that allowed him to enjoy many activities including riding his street bike, hiking and climbing, swimming, skipping rocks, exploring old buildings and farmsteads, going to rummage sales, and finding treasures with his metal detector. Max loved to be at his farm and ride his dirt bike, hunt, cut down trees, run with the dogs, and build things with others. Max was also passionate about playing video games, watching scary movies, cooking with family, playing with RC cars, Legos, Hot Wheels, and Nerf guns, and was fascinated with taking things apart to see how they worked. He was wholly giving of love and would often ask for cuddles. The positive and irreplaceable impact that Max had on family, friends, and strangers is immeasurable.

Blessed to have shared in his life are his parents, Chris Schaf and Chantel (Bueligen) Schaf, both of Mandan; sister, Ana Schaf; grandparents, Clyde Schaf, Birgit (Koch) Schaf, Jill (Zachmeier) and Morris Magnus; and Delvin and Becki (Anderson) Bueligen; aunt and uncle, Naomi (Bueligen) Marks and fiance, Ryan Michel, with cousins, Elliot, Emma, and Eva Marks; uncle, Justin Bueligen with cousin, Brooklynne Bueligen; uncles, Alex (Schaf) and Robert Beaubien; uncle and aunt, John and Lindsay (Leingang) Schaf with cousins, Johnathan and Evelyn Schaf; and step great-grandparents, Rick and Char (Paulson) Anderson.

Max was preceded in death by his aunt, Rachel Bueligen; greatgrandparents, Richard and Barbara (Meek) Zachmeier, Richard and Fern (Hagerott) Bueligen, John and Margaret (Leingang) Schaf, and Hans and Renate (Bauer) Koch.

Memorials are preferred to the family that will be used at a later date to create a memorial for Max.

Max's wonderful and giving spirit lives on through his gift of organ donation.

Funeral Service	Saturday October 7, 2023 11:00 AM Evangel 3225 N 14th St. Bismarck, ND
Officiant	Pastor Kyle Jorris
Special Music	Jasmine Massingill & Josh Detwiler
Readers	Gracie Algren & Chana Bullinger
Celebration of Life for Max C. Schaf	
Processional	I Can Only Imagine
Welcome	
Prayer	
Scripture Readings	John 11:25-26
	Psalm 23
Special Reading	Prayer of St. Francis
Reading of the Obituary	
Special Song	Amazing Grace
Thoughts and Message	
Closing Prayer	
Recessional	Well Done

YOU ARE INVITED FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP AT EVANGEL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE FUNERAL SERVICE.



BURIAL WILL BE AT ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY, SOUTH OF MANDAN AT 2 PM. THE FUNERAL PROCESSION WILL LEAVE AT 1:30 PM. THANK YOU TO THE MORTON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT FOR PROVIDING A POLICE ESCORT.