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James was active in football, track, wrestling, and basketball all through Jr High and High School and had several winning seasons. James also participated in Jr and Sr Class plays. Upon graduation from High School in 1988, he attended Northern State University where he pursued his passion for football. James was a walk on at NSU in both football and track. He played four years and earned All American Honors. He was a part of several winning football seasons, including the Conference Championship in 1992. James also ran track and threw shot and discus while at Northern. He graduated from NSU in the summer of 1993 with a degree in elementary education.

In 1995, James moved to Texas. He taught elementary in San Antonio and then moved on to his love for playing football for the San Antonio Stallions Semi Pro team. He also worked at several gyms and health clubs. On July 23, 2000 James married Sundok Lee and through that union they had two children, Renee and Solomon. James and Sunny sold real estate for several years together and then James ventured off into the roofing business and started his own company called "Third Day Roofing".

James was also an ordained minister and was passionate about the Lord. For the last seven years he had been working within the prison ministry and saved many souls. Every July, James would look forward to coming to South Dakota for a family and friends' reunion at his brother Corey's lake home over the 4th of July.

Grateful for sharing James life is his Daughter Renee Lee Caraway, Austin, Texas, his son Solomon James Caraway, Austin, Texas. His mother Mary Caraway, Lake Benton, Minnesota. James's special friend Nyarie Zhou, Georgetown, Texas. His sisters Barb Carruthers, Baltic, South Dakota, special friend (Carey Story-Chamberlain, South Dakota), Lori Caraway (fiancé Cory Stein) Brookings, South Dakota, Mary Kay Caraway, Ivanhoe, Minnesota, brothers, Corey (Alethea) Caraway, Volga, South Dakota, Jon (Blair) Caraway, Lexington, Nebraska; along with several nephews and nieces. James is preceded in death by his father, Clarence Caraway; parental grandparents, George and Harriett Caraway, and maternal grandparents Jack and Dorothy Delaney.

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Celebration of Life

Saturday June 22, 2024 - 1:00 PM The Chalet at The Hole in the Mountain Park Lake Benton, Minnesota

> **Officiating** Paul Fehrman

Special Music

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