

Celebrating the Life of

Trevor John Berger was born on February 20, 1979, in Willmar, Minnesota, the son of Marvin and Nancy (Mormann) Berger. He grew up in Atwater, was baptized and confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, and graduated from ACGC High School in 1998. From 1998 to 2001, Trevor served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Nassau. Following his honorable discharge, he attended Alexandria Technical College and earned a degree in law enforcement. On June 22, 2002, Trevor was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, Kate Marie Nelson. Kate and Trevor were blessed with 3 children, Kendell, Micah, and Ryan. While Trevor and Kate finished their schooling, they lived in Alexandria and Morris. Upon graduation, they moved to Willmar and settled in Litchfield between Kate's job at ACGC and Trevor's first law enforcement jobs at McLeod County jail and Silver Lake PD. Trevor expanded his police experience by working part time for Eden Valley PD and Atwater PD where he finished his career. He had achieved his dream of serving his hometown! This position brought Trevor, Kate, Kendell and Micah to their home in Atwater where Ryan completed their family. He retired in 2021 due to ill health as the Police Chief of Atwater. Trevor was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and the Samstad-Jensen American Legion Post #375 of Atwater.

He loved making people laugh. He always had a story or joke ready to share. He was quick witted and fit into many different social groups. He had a knack for making all people around him feel as though they were the most important part of his life. When he wasn't working, he enjoyed spending time with his kids watching movies, going to amusement and water parks, and celebrating the holidays with his family, especially at Halloween and Christmas. He was also a huge fan of NASCAR, football, and Disney World.

He is survived by his wife, Kate; his three children, Kendell, Micah, and Ryan, all of Atwater; his parents, Marvin and Nancy Berger of Atwater and one sister, Kimberly Berger (and Bryan Lechner) of Richfield; his in-laws, Bruce and Linda Nelson of Grove City; brothers-in-law, Lance (Jolene) Nelson and Eric (Chelsey) Nelson; nephews and nieces, Logan Nelson, Brooklyn Nelson, Kaiden Nelson, Jackson Nelson, and Lily Jo Nelson; as well as other family members.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents and an uncle, Duane Berger.



Trevor J. Berger

1979 - 2022

In Loving Memory Of

Trevor J. Berger

February 20, 1979
Willmar, Minnesota

March 10, 2022
Atwater, Minnesota

I AM FREE

*Don't grieve for me now for I'm free
I am following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all,
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play,
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy,
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with time of sorrow,
I wish for you the shine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one touched.
Perhaps my time seemed all to brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me;
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

Arrangements By
Peterson Brothers Funeral Home
"Celebrating A Life Remembered"

Celebration of Life Service

Saturday, March 19, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Atwater, Minnesota

Officiating

Pastor Christa Forsythe

Music

Pianist: Deb Mickle

Active Casketbearers

Ross Johnson Derrick Johnson Jim Oyen Troy Holtkamp
Bryan Lechner Kimberly Berger Eric Nelson Lance Nelson

Honorary Casketbearers

All of Trevor's Nieces, Nephews & Cousins

Military Honor Guard

Samstad-Jensen American Legion Post #375
Atwater, Minnesota

Interment

Union Cemetery
Atwater, Minnesota