Bruce "Angel" Aspelin was born on August 16, 1947 in Slayton, Minnesota. He was the son of Rudolph and Lila (Ricketts) Aspelin. He grew up on a farm where he learned the quality of hard work and the importance of family and friends. Angel and his brother Kent learned the art of fabrication at a young age, using whatever was at their disposal to create and repair. He graduated from Balaton High School and followed his sister, Jean to Alexandria and attended Alexandria Technical College for Diesel Mechanics. After graduation he worked for Alexandria Truck and Tractor, Central Specialties Inc, among others.

Angel's true passions were Honda motorcycles and Winchester firearms. These were two lifelong obsessions. He only moved to more comfortable Harley Davidson seats and suspension when his body told him to. He enjoyed trips to Sturgis with his motorcycle family and waterfowl and pheasant hunting in Minnesota and South Dakota.

He could fix just about anything. It may not have been pretty but it was almost always functional. His family and friends took priority when things needed to be done and his stuff could always wait.

He took pride in being a stubborn old Norwegian, but he always said he was taking pills for it. Angel was hard to argue with, yet a gentle old soul at heart. He lived by some of these sayings: "Enjoy, don't analyze", "Good morning, How ya doing this fine day" and "Why pay someone else to do it when I can do it myself?"

Angel left a legacy of loyalty that will never be forgotten. He died peacefully on Thursday, April 13, 2023. He is survived by his son, Nate; grandchildren: Nolan, Aubrey, Hope, Caleb; sister, Jean Wendland; sister-in-law, Joan Aspelin; step son, Chad Cooper (Elizabeth); step grandchildren: Matthew and Grace and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, infant sister, three brothers: Arnold, Jerry, Kent.

Remembering the Life of



Bruce "Angel" Aspelin $1947 \sim 2023$

A Biker's Prayer

May the sun rise in front of me May the rain fall behind me



And the wind follow me

May the angels guard my travels

For they know the road ahead of me

Keep me safe through swirling turns

and rolling hills

Let the eagle guide me to the mountaintops

Let the moons light guide me through the night

Lord thank you for letting me be a biker

Memory

Bruce "Angel" Aspelin

August 16, 1947 & April 13, 2023

Funeral Service

Anderson Funeral Home Alexandria, Minnesota Thursday, April 20, 2023, 11 AM

Officiants

Deb Hadley Lowell Nelson

Musical Selections By

Sara Gulbranson Jackson Burns

Pallbearers

Rick Colden Ritchie Burkey Chad Aspelin

Greg Burkey Mike Neunsinger Brock Aspelin

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Alexandria, Minnesota

