

Joseph Francis Bergherr was born on May 28, 1948, in Morris, Minnesota to Roy and Viola (Lesmeister) Bergherr. He graduated from Morris High School and went into basic training for the Army at Fort Dix, New Jersey. Joe returned to Morris and continued in the Minnesota Army National Guard for 28 years. From a previous marriage Joe had 4 boys Scott, Chad, Jason and Nick. He worked a variety of jobs after returning to Morris, and later started working for the Minnesota Department of Transportation working to install signs along the roadside. In 1997, Joe moved to Alexandria and was united in marriage to Lynnae Mielitz on September 19, 1998. Joe continued to work for the Department of Transportation but started working with the highway maintenance department. He retired in 2010 after 23 years.

Joe loved riding his Harley Davidson, fishing, prairie dog hunting, target shooting where he would even reload his shells. He was an excellent dancer and was very fun to watch as he was so light on his feet. Joe also enjoyed playing cards, poker, waterskiing, rollerskating, and loved his 50's and 60's music, especially the Beach Boys. He enjoyed being with family and friends and making sure everyone had a good time, but family was number 1 and would do anything for them. He also made sure his dog, Harley was spoiled.

Joe died on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, at the St. Cloud Hospital at the age of 74. He is survived by his wife, Lynnae, sons, Scott (Jarris) Bergherr of Dallas, TX, Chad (Laura) Bergherr, Jason (Angie) Bergherr, Nick (Lamn) Bergherr all of Big Lake, MN; grandchildren, Amanda (Nick) Lehnen, Nathan Bergherr, Taylor Bergherr, Cole Bergherr, Shayla Bergherr, Riley Bergherr, Jaycie Bergherr, Shawna Bergherr, Payton Bergherr, and Tyler Bergherr; great-grandchildren, Zachary Lehnen, Allie Lehnen, and Braelynn Bergherr; brother, Jim (Marion) Bergherr of Otsego, MN; sister, Judy (Jim) Spindler of Zimmerman; brother-in-law, Mike (Lori) Mielitz; sister-in-law, Heather (Bobby) DeJong; and many nieces and nephews. Joe is preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Viola; brother, Jack Bergherr; sisters-in-law, Pat and Janet Bergherr; and many other loved ones.

## Celebrating The Life Of



## Joseph F. Bergherr 1948 ~ 2022

### ***For Those I Love, For Those Who Love Me...***

*When I am gone, release me, let me go...*

*I have so many things to see and do.*

*You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,*

*But let my spirit calm your fears,*

*I gave you my love. You can only guess*

*How much you gave me in happiness.*

*I thank you for the love you have shown,*

*But now it's time I traveled on alone!*

*So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,*

*Then let your grief be comforted by trust.*

*It's only for a while that we must part,*

*So bless the memories that lie within your heart.*

*I won't be far away, for life goes on.*

*So if you need me, call and I will come.*

*Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near,*

*And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear*

*All of my love around you soft and clear.*

*And then, when you must come this way alone...*

*I'll greet you with a smile and say,*

*"Welcome Home."*

*In Memory of*

### **Joseph F. Bergherr**

May 28, 1948



August 10, 2022

#### **Funeral Service**

Anderson Funeral Home

Alexandria, Minnesota

Monday, August 15, 2022

1:00 PM

#### **Officiant**

Reverend Father Rick Aubol

#### **Casket Bearers**

Mike Bergherr

Mike Plasch

Tom Bergherr

Joe Spindler

Nick Lehnen

Pete Bergherr

Brian Sorenson

#### **Honorary Casket Bearers**

Joe's Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren,  
Godchildren, and many loved nieces and nephews

#### **Interment**

Calvary Cemetery

Morris, Minnesota