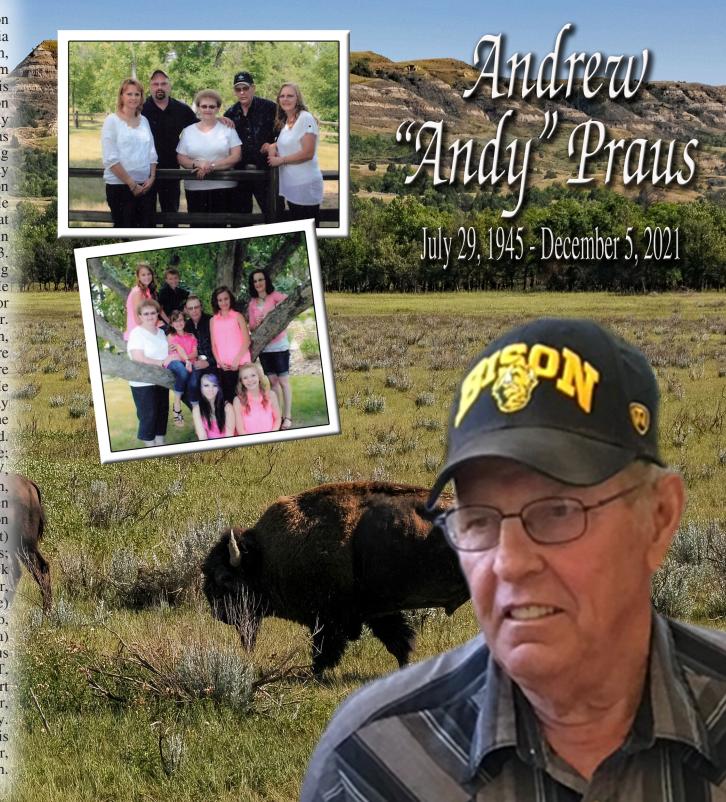
Andrew Julius Praus was born in Dickinson on July 29, 1945, the son of Vincent and Victoria (Pavlicek) Praus. Growing up on the family farm, he attended country school and helped on the farm until his entry into the US Army 1967. During his two year enlistment, Andy married Paulette Ridl on December 14, 1968. The couple was just days shy of their 53rd wedding anniversary. Andrew was honorably discharged in 1969 and was a lifelong member of the Veterans of Foreign War. Andy and Paulette made their home in the Dickinson area where they also raised three children. He worked various jobs before finding his career at Theodore Roosevelt National Park working in maintenance from 1986 until his retirement in 2013. Andy was a bit of a jokester and he enjoyed bringing home 'treasures' from countless auction sales. He loved playing around with his John Deere tractor in the snow and he enjoyed meals at Dakota Diner. Dancing polkas and waltzes, playing accordion, watching PBR and football, and playing cards were his favorite pastimes. Andy's grandchildren were the light of his life and he cherished family time. He loved going to the races with his son on Saturday nights, going fishing with Brandon and watching the grandkids dance. Many memories will be cherished. Andy is survived by his wife of 52 years, Paulette; daughters, Shelly (Tim) Flom of Las Vegas, NV, Nancy (Michael) Johnson of Dickinson; son, Scott (Donna Harris) Praus of Dickinson; seven grandchildren, Alexis (Zachary Breaz) Flom, Brandon Flom, Cassandra Johnson, Tiffany (Matt Stewart) Johnson, Emily Johnson, Rachel Praus, Serena Praus; siblings, Larry Praus of Dickinson, Lorraine Binstock of Mandan, Darlene (Gerald) Frederick of Taylor, David (Kathy) Praus of Dickinson, Julius (Vickie) Praus of Henderson, NV, Donna Jilek of Fargo, Leo (Janice) Praus of Richardton, Kenny (Marla) Praus of Dickinson, Gilbert (Nancy Bleth) Praus of Bismarck, Louis Praus of Stansbury Park, UT, Bernice Lovata of Gill, CO, Linda (Tom) Stockert of Mandan, Vincent (Ron Mase) Praus of Denver, Co; several nieces, nephews, and extended family. preceded in death by his Vincent Victoria: brother. parents and Praus and infant brother Joseph.



and now our hearts are much bereft. Polkas and waltzes will have new meanings Tractor rides and garden harvests But card games and summer fishing will hold your memory steadfast. On holidays there will always be And your presupper snooze will be a well-remembered preview. no matter the distance you have now crossed more than we could have ever thought. There are no more words left for me to say. For your life and light touched us all deeply in each and every way.

No More Words

By Cassandra Johnson

There are no words to describe

the void that you have left.

You were one of the very best

Accordion tunes will echo

long after you have gone.

at each new dawn.

"Apple, Peaches, Pumpkin Pie" and "You are my Sunshine"

Are now your special ways

to send us your angel's sign.

are memories of the past,

a special place just for you

We love and miss you, grandpa,

Because heaven needed our hero

Please know we cherished you

from near and far away

Illustration by Alexis Flom

Andy Praus

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 10:00 am Stevenson Funeral Home Dickinson, North Dakota

ROSARY & VIGIL:

Monday, December 13, 2021 6:00 pm Stevenson Funeral Home Dickinson, North Dakota Rosary: Rick Marsh

OFFICIATING:

Deacon Ron Keller

READERS:

Mya Kuntz

Linda Stockert

PALLBEARERS:

Brandon Flom Todd Frederick Matt Stockert Ray Binstock Jr.

Ryan Praus Tyus Praus John Praus James Praus

HONORARY PALLBEARERS:

Cassandra Johnson Rachel Praus Tiffany Johnson **Emily Johnson**

Serena Praus Alexis Flom

MILITARY HONORS:

Dickinson American Legion Post #3 Honor Guard

INTERMENT:

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 3:00 pm CT North Dakota Veterans Cemetery Mandan, North Dakota

ARRANGEMENTS BY:

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Lunch will be served in the fellowship room following the Liturgy of the Word service. Everyone is welcome.