

In Loving Memory of
ALLEN SHREVE

1951 - 2023



GOD SAW YOU

God saw you were getting tired and a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around you and whispered, "Come with me."
With tearful eyes we watched you suffer and saw you fade away,
Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

EPITAPH ON MY OWN FRIEND

An honest man here lies at rest,
As ever God with His image blest:
The friend of man, the friend of truth;
The friend of age, and guide of youth:
Few heart like his, with virtue warm'd,
Few heads with knowledge so inform'd:
If there's another world, he lives in bliss;
If there is none, he made the best of this.

Allen Roger Shreve, Mandan, ND age 72, passed away June 27, 2023, at Sanford Medical Center in Bismarck, ND, after a year-long struggle with cancer. Allen's wife, children, granddaughter, family, and friends surrounded him during his final days.

Allen was born January 18, 1951, in Miles City, MT, and adopted by Curtis and Kathleen (Betty) Shreve of Baker, MT. As a young child, Allen lived in Belle Fourche, SD, before moving to Dickinson, ND, where he graduated from Dickinson High School in 1969. Allen attended Dickinson State College and earned his elementary education degree from Mary College in 1974. Allen was a lifelong educator and coach. His teaching career began at St. Mary's Elementary in Bismarck and Mary Stark Elementary in Mandan before arriving to teach 5th grade at Lewis and Clark Elementary in Mandan. Allen taught for 43 years, with 35 years at Lewis and Clark. Throughout his career, he also coached basketball, cross country, track and field, and volleyball. While he was an award-winning teacher and coach, Allen's positive impact on his thousands of students and athletes was his greatest reward and professional accomplishment. His awards include the Crystal Apple Award, the Golden Apple Award, the ND High School Coaches Association Jr. High Coach of the Year, and the ND High School Coaches Association Assistant Coach of the Year. He particularly enjoyed teaching the children of his former students. Allen met the love of his life, Karen Kautzman, at a Dickinson State fraternity party in 1972. Their first date was playing pool at the Dickinson State Student Union, and they were married on August 23, 1974, at St. Vincent Church in Crown Butte, ND. The couple has three children, Brian, Amy, and Aaron, and one granddaughter, Norah. His children and grandchild were his pride and joy. Any conversation with Allen would include an update on his children and a picture of his grandchild. Allen loved and provided for his family, working additional summer jobs, including basement foundation installation, roofing, insurance adjusting, and umpiring softball. He designed and built the home where he and Karen raised their family. Allen was known for his kindness and care for others in the community. He loved to fish the Missouri River and Lake Sakakawea with his late friend John Emil and Lake of the Woods with his friend Doug Schindler. Allen looked forward to his weekly breakfast with other retired Mandan teachers and coaches at Dakota Farms in Mandan. He was active in the Dakotah Mandan Lions Club and was a lay Eucharistic minister at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Mandan.

Allen is survived by his beloved wife of 48 years, Karen; his children Brian (Laura) of Minneapolis, MN, Amy Nelson (Kurt) of Santa Cruz, CA, and Aaron (Alexis Eastwood) of Lynchburg, VA, and Davis, CA; granddaughter Norah Nelson (4) of Santa Cruz, CA; brother Larry (Bernice) of Bismarck, ND; sister Deborah of Newport News, VA; his in-laws Ralph and Irene Kautzman of Oliver County, ND; sister-in-laws Heidi Lannen (Tom) of Wheaton, IL; Tami Marciano (Armand) of Scottsdale, AZ; Mary Anne Bell of Niwot, CO; brother-in-law Mark Goedken of Cedar Rapids, IA; nephew Matthew Lannen of Chicago, IL; nephew Damien Kleppe of Sacramento, CA; niece Michelle Ihli of Killdeer, ND; several cousins; and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Curtis and Kathleen Shreve; sister-in-law Holli Kautzman; and nephew Andrew Lannen. The family would like to thank Sanford Medical Center, Mayo Clinic, Dr. Peter Kurniali, Dr. Dale Klein, the Sanford oncology staff and nurses, and the 4th floor staff at Sanford.



ALLEN SHREVE

January 18, 1951 — June 27, 2023



Parish Rosary/Vigil

Friday, June 30, 2023; 7:00 PM

Presider

**Weigel Funeral Home
Deacon Bob Wingenbach**

Funeral Liturgy

Saturday, July 1, 2023; 10:30 AM

Celebrant & Concelebrant

Msgr. Patrick Schumacher & Fr. Josh Waltz

Musicians

Gene Mosbrucker & Regina McLain

Prelude

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Opening Song

"How Great Thou Art"

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

Lector

Aaron Shreve

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want."

New Testament Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

Lector

Brian Shreve

Gospel Reading

John 14:1-6

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts Song

"Be Not Afraid"

Presentation of Gifts

Matt Lannen ~ Carly Gatzloff

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion Song

"I Am The Bread Of Life"

Communion Meditation

"O' Loving God"

Final Commendation

"Song Of Farewell"

Closing Song

"Amazing Grace"

Pallbearers

Leon House ~ John Kihne ~ Leon Kary

Tom Johnson ~ Doug Schindler ~ Tom Lannen

Graveside Service

Mandan Union Cemetery

Mandan, North Dakota

***Following the burial, the family invites you for
lunch and fellowship at the Mandan Eagles Club.***