

“IT IS BETTER TO BE IN THE WILDERNESS
PONDERING GOD THAN IN CHURCH
PONDERING THE WILDERNESS”



IN LOVING MEMORY



WAYNE
“SKIP”
BARON

July 27, 1948 — October 15, 2024

Wayne "Skip" Baron, 76, passed away October 15, 2024, at CHI St. Alexius in Bismarck.

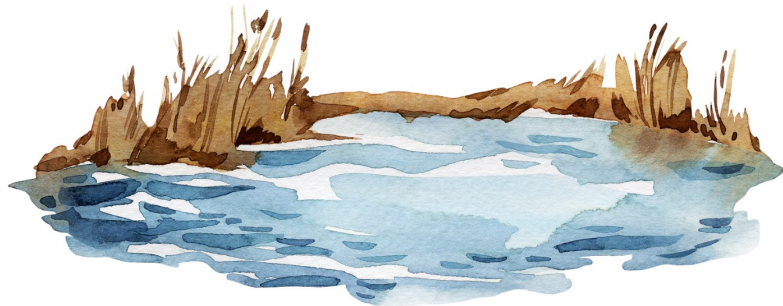
Skip was born July 27, 1948, in Mandan, to Richard and Marianne (Stebner) Baron. He was raised and educated in Mandan, graduating from Mandan High School in 1966. He went on to receive his Bachelors Degree in Journalism from South Dakota State University. On July 3, 1970, Skip married Claire Lyche in Cooperstown, ND. He began working with the National Wildlife Federation as Central State Staff Director, he played a crucial role in preserving the environment, especially in protecting North Dakota's prairies, by helping pass landmark legislation like the Environmental Protection Act, Swampbuster, and Clean Water Act. Through his work he left a significant legacy. Later, he worked for the North Dakota Emergency Management at Homeland Security, where he was instrumental in distributing funds in response to the 9/11 tragedy.

Skip was a beloved member of the community, known for his wit, humor, friendship, and love of the outdoors. He found great joy at his Lake Tschida cabin and treasured his time hunting with friends at the Cranedominium.

Skip is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Claire Baron, of Mandan; his sons, Kelly Baron, of Mandan and Casey (Amber) Baron, along with their three children, Kaden, Paxton, and Kezia, all of Woodbury, MN; his sister, Nannette Baron, of Fargo; and sister-in-law, Gail Baron, of Victor, ID along with her two children, Cory Baron, of Seattle, WA and Todd (Wendi) Baron of Alpine, WY; as well as many friends, young and old.

Skip was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Marianne Baron and his brother, Bill Baron.

"Thank you for being My Friend." – Skip



Funeral Service

Monday | October 21, 2024 | 11:00 AM
First Presbyterian Church | Mandan, ND

Presider

Rev. Deanna Reikow

Musician

Eileen Edland

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF WAYNE "SKIP" BARON

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Processional

"One Day At A Time"

Opening Prayer

Words of Comfort

Psalm 23

Memories Shared

Grandchildren

Eulogy

Dan Ulmer

Solo by Kris Kristofferson

"Why Me?"

Sermon

Prayers for the Family

The Lord's Prayer

The Commendation

The Blessing

Special Song

"Scars in Heaven"

*Following the funeral service, the family invites you for
food and fellowship at the church.*
