





Thomas Matthew Valentine was born on February 16, 1946, to William and Fannie (Dew) Valentine. Tom attended Langdon High School, participating in football, wrestling, and track and field. He was a graduate of Langdon High School Class of 1964. After high school, he attended North Dakota State University and participated in football and wrestling. He graduated from NDSU with a degree in physical education. Tom and Marie DuBord were married on July 18, 1970, at St. Benedict's Church in Wild Rice, ND. After their wedding, they moved to Mason City, IA, with an additional move to Forest City, IA. In 1979, they returned to North Dakota with their family to the family farm near Wales, ND, where they raised their seven children.

Through the years, Tom was active with the Langdon Little Guy Wrestling and Cavalier County 4-H programs. He was a proud recipient of the North Dakota 4-H Century Family Certificate in 2016, recognizing his family for over 100 years of service to the North Dakota 4-H program. Tom was a familiar face at the Pembina County Fair for over 30 years showing livestock and providing safety and security.

Tom had a solid moral and ethical belief that everyone should be treated equally and fairly. This belief was demonstrated in his daily life, which was instilled in his family. He enjoyed keeping up with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren's sports and academic activities. Many will miss Tom, but he will always be remembered as a gentle giant with a soft heart.

Tom is survived by his children: Anita (Kevin) Beauchamp of Olga, ND, Ernie (Laurel) of David City, NE, Joleen (Kory) Loewen of Bismarck, Judd (Kyoko) of Chula Vista, CA, Daniel (Heather) of Savannah, GA, Donald of Wales, and Theresa (Ian) Stewart of Langdon; grandchildren: Darwin(Alexis) Schwartz, Courtney (Cody) Schwartz, Allyssa (Gage) Olson, Morgen, Jacson, Keetyn, Brittin and Hayden Valentine, Kraig (Brianna) Loewen, Krystal Jo (Nathan) Watne, Kordell Loewen, Samantha and Grant Valentine, and Bethany, Raymond, Joanna, and Julia Stewart; great-grandchildren: Kamri and Kenzli Loewen, Maggie, Brileigh, and Brantley Watne, Mason Schwartz, and Torgor Olson; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Sharon Haakenson, Kathleen (Paul) Willison, Leo DuBord, Joanne (Michael) Lenertz, Michael (Kathy) DuBord, Curt (Kari) DuBord, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie; his parents, William and Fannie Valentine; parent-in-laws, Ernest and Dorothy DuBord; sister-in-law Barb DuBord; brother-in-law Curt Haakenson; and nephew Eric DuBord.

Tom passed away August 13, 2023, in the comfort of his family at the age of 77.

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Friday, August 18, 2023 ~ 1:00 p.m.

St. Alphonsus Church
Langdon, ND

CLERGY

Fr. Kurtis Gunwall

MUSIC

Bob Schaan Min Gette

St. Alphonsus Church Choir

“On Eagle’s Wings” “Be Not Afraid”

“Alleluia, Let the Holy Anthem Rise”

“Prayer of St. Francis” “The Old Rugged Cross”

Soloist ~ Tammy Aronson

CASKET BEARERS

Tom’s Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews

HONORARY BEARERS

Tom’s Great-grandchildren

INTERMENT

Hannah Cemetery ~ Hannah, ND

Brooks Funeral Home ~ Langdon, ND