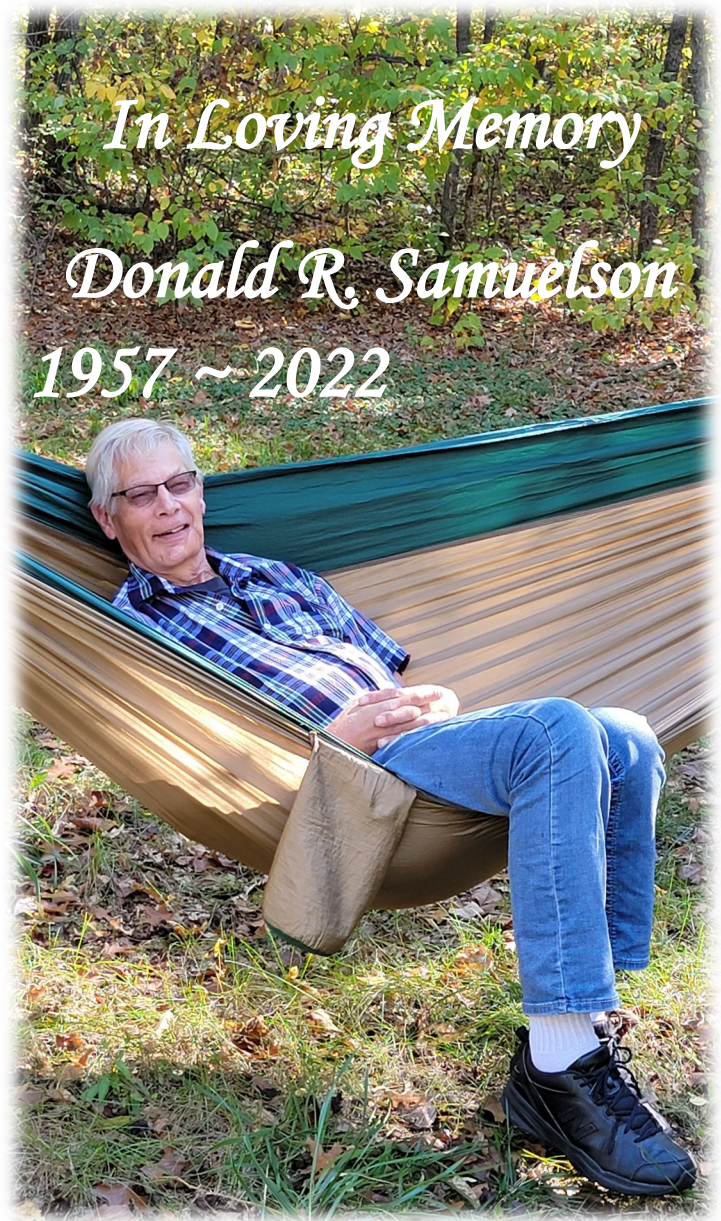


Donald Rodger Samuelson was born on May 11, 1957, in Sauk Centre, Minnesota to Verner and Margaret (Rodgers) Samuelson. Don graduated from Sauk Centre High School in 1975 and then attended Alexandria Technical College for Tool and Die. Don later went to school for Water Environmental Technologies at St. Cloud Technical College.

Don married Marilyn Peterson on June 6, 1981, and the couple was blessed with three boys, Nickolas, Mitchell, and Logan. The family lived and grew in Sauk Centre.

Don spent most of his working career at Kraft Foods in Melrose. In early 2000s, Don moved to Alexandria where he worked a variety of different jobs with the Alexandria Opportunities Center and most recently at McDonald's. Don enjoyed woodworking, wildlife, car shows, photography, music, gardening, and most of all being with his family.

Don died on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at Alomere Heath in Alexandria at the age of 65, and gave the gift of life through organ and tissue donation. He is survived by his sons, Nickolas Samuelson of Little Sauk; Mitchell (Tara) Samuelson of Alexandria; and Logan Samuelson of Sauk Centre; granddaughter, Taylor Samuelson; mother, Margaret Samuelson of Sauk Centre; sisters, Elaine Seidel of Williston, ND, Vernetta (Paul) Johnson of Sartell, and Florence Helmbrecht of Sauk Centre; and a niece and nephews. Don is preceded in death by his father, Verner Samuelson; and brothers-in-law, Jim Bielke, Bill Helmbrecht, and Richard Seidel.



I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.*

*I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.*

*Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My Life's been full, I savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

In Memory of **Donald R. Samuelson**

May 11, 1957



August 16, 2022

Memorial Service
River of Life Church
Sauk Centre, Minnesota
Saturday, August 27, 2022
11:00 AM



Officiant

Reverend Kyle Peterson

Musicians

Jeremy Matvey Donna Peterson
Karsten Olson Ashley Klaphake
Gabrielle Carik

Interment

Long Bridge Church Cemetery
Little Sauk, Minnesota