

## Remembering the Life....

Michael William Maunumaki was born on July 21, 1964, at the Wesley Hospital in Wadena, Minnesota. His parents were the late George William "Billy" and Dixie Kay (Lahti) Maunumaki. He was baptized and confirmed at the Apostolic Lutheran Church in New York Mills. Mike graduated from the New York Mills High School with the Class of 1982. After graduation Mike went to work on the family farm with his parents and brother Matt.

Mike and Amy Marie Runningen were married on September 26, 1998 at Apostolic Lutheran Church in New York Mills, MN and after their marriage they continued to live on and help work the Maunumaki family farm. In 2007, Mike and his family moved to Ashby near Amy's family where he worked at the Ashby School in janitorial for a year. However he still commuted back and forth to NY Mills to help work the farm right up to the day his illness would no longer permit him to do so. Mike loved the great outdoors. Whether it was hunting, fishing, or sports, he loved doing them with family and friends. Going for a nice leisurely walk became one of his favorite pastimes where he would enjoy the fresh air, scenery, solitude, and talking to the Lord.

On Wednesday, August 28, 2024, Mike passed away at his home in Ashby, MN at 60 years of age. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Amy; two children, Michael Jr. (Taylohr) Maunumaki of Upton, Wy and Joan Maunumaki of Ashby, MN; One grandson, Wesley Maunumaki; one sister, Kim (Greg) Imsande of New York Mills, MN; one brother, Mathew Maunumaki of New York Mills, MN and many nieces and nephews. Preceding Mike in death were his parents: Billy and Dixie; sisters, Kristi and Kelly; niece, Mickayla; and father-in-law, Owen Runningen.

**Blessed be the Memory of Michael**



Celebrating  
the **Life** of

**Michael William Maunumaki**

*In Loving Memory Of*  
**Michael William Maunumaki**

July 21, 1964 ~ August 28, 2024

**Funeral Service**

Friday, September 13, 2024 2:00pm  
Grue Lutheran Church  
Rural Ashby, Minnesota

**Officiating**

Pastor Dan Hermanson

**Music**

Melissa Fronning, organist

**Congregational Hymns**

*"What A Friend We Have In Jesus" LBOW 439*  
*"The Old Rugged Cross"*  
*"Softly And Tenderly"*

**Urnbearer**

Daniel Runningen

**Honorary Urnbearer**

Wesley Maunumaki

**Appreciation**

Michael's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.  
Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Please join family and friends for coffee and bars in the church following the service.

**Arrangements by**

Glende-Nilson Funeral Home ~ Ashby  
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**God's Garden**

*God looked around his garden,  
And found an empty space,  
He then looked down upon earth,  
And saw your tired face.*

*He put his arms around you,  
And lifted you to rest,  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
He always takes the best.*

*He saw the road was getting rough,  
And the hills were hard to climb,  
So he closed your weary eyelids,  
And whispered "Peace be thine."*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,  
But you didn't go alone,  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God call you home.*

*Melissa Shreve*