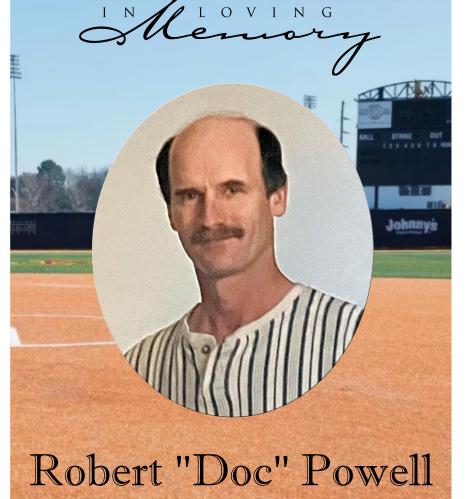
## Dear Grandpa,

I love you so much and I hope you are feeling better! I love you more than words can express and I hope nothing bad ever happens to you. you are the best grandpa in the word, and I love all the canay you give mel and I love when you give me hugs, and when you tickle my feet! I also love how you always give me money even when I don't need it. you are the nicest grandpa ever and i'm sure everyone's jelows and wish they had a grandpa like you! I love how your always very protective and how you always make

Sure everyones safe. I love you so much! - from your Eavorise grandchild zoey!

Arrangements Entrusted To HARTQUIST FUNERAL HOME



August 4, 1952 - November 9, 2024

I have hung up my cleats!

## Celebration of Life Gathering

Saturday, November 30, 2024 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Lake Benton Area Community and Event Center Lake Benton, Minnesota



"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day."

II Timothy 4:7-8

**Robert "Doc" William Powell,** age 72, of Lake Benton, MN, passed away at home on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born on August 4, 1952, in Pipestone, Minnesota. He was the third of nine children born to Robert Wayne and Marilyn Royce (DeRue) Powell. He was baptized at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Pipestone. Robert spent the early years of his life in and out of the doctor's office, earning the nickname "Doc," which stayed with him throughout his life.

Doc attended school in Pipestone through the 7th grade before moving with his family to a farm north of Verdi, Minnesota. He graduated from high school in 1970 and went on to study for a year at Southwest State University in Marshall, Minnesota. On October 11, 1975, he married Diann Kuhn in Lake Benton, Minnesota. Together, they shared a love-filled marriage of nearly five decades and raised two children, Jodi and Adam.

Doc's career included seven years with Olin Flex Straw and 13 years at Buffalo Ridge Ranch, where he was recognized as the #1 pork producer for his meticulous records and dedication. He later worked for New Horizon Feeds and, in his retirement, enjoyed taking on odd jobs, especially his time with Roggenbuck Tree Service. Known for his work ethic, Doc approached every job with energy and commitment.

Outside of work, Doc found joy in simple pleasures. He was an avid softball player, a dedicated third baseman, and an enthusiastic bowler. When he wasn't working, he loved spending time with his family, taking drives with his wife, Diann, and enjoying time with their dogs. He also enjoyed fishing, and spending countless hours in the outdoors.

Doc is survived by his wife, Diann; his children, Jodi (Alan) Riedel and Adam (Sarah) Powell; and his grandchildren, Noah (Megan) Greer, Zoey Greer, Lucy Greer, Colton Powell, and Charlie Powell. He is also survived by his mother, Marilyn Powell; siblings, Teresa (Bob) Waldeisen, Mark (Connie) Powell, Mike (DeVonne) Powell, Jo (Mark) Knutson, Barb Powell, Tom (Elisa) Powell, Lisa (Lonnie) Willert, and Shelly (Bob) Bigford, as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Powell; his grandparents, Frank and Dora Powell, and William and Gerti DeRue; one niece, Alicia Vos; and his cat, Sammy, who brought him much joy.

Doc's memory will be cherished by all who knew him as a dedicated family man, a hardworking soul, and a true friend. He leaves behind a legacy of love, resilience, and laughter, and he will be dearly missed.