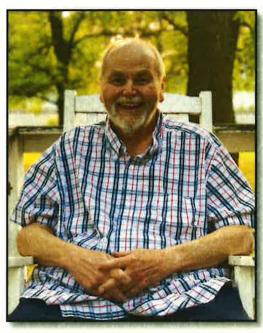
In Loving Memory



Martin T. "Marty" Thorlakson

August 28, 1957 ~ October 26, 2024

Born on August 28, 1957, in Cavalier, North Dakota, he was the son of Erik and Joyce (Skaro) Thorlakson. Growing up on the family farm near Hensel, ND, Marty attended school in Hensel and Cavalier.

On October 15, 1994, he married Kimberly Gustafson. Together, they raised three daughters, whom he proudly regarded as "his greatest accomplishments" and "his pride and joy." Marty found his primary purpose in farming and fatherhood, dedicating himself to his family, livestock, fields, and garden.

Strong-willed and occasionally stubborn, Marty possessed an enormous heart and a wonderful sense of humor. He was generous, loyal, and brave, full of cleverness and wisdom gained through a variety of careers in public service. His diverse life experiences contributed to the many stories he loved to share. Marty will be remembered for the love he shared with his friends and family. He truly cared for each of them, and those who knew him felt that love deeply. Even in his final days, he found ways to smile, laugh, and play pinochle, one of his greatest passions. He will be dearly missed for his teasing spirit, playful eyes, humor, kindness, and unwavering strength.

Marty is survived by his daughters: Hope, Hannah, and Hailey Thorlakson; his siblings: Kay (Tom) Lyshoj, Jim Thorlakson, Nancy Thorlakson, and Connie (Keith) Johnson; and sisters-in-law, Tammy Thorlakson and Kathy Thorlakson; and many beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Erik Thorlakson and Joyce Nupdal; his brother, Tom; his sister, Shirley; his brother-in-law, Mel Martin; and his father-in-law, Ervin Gustafson.

Marty Thorlakson, a cherished father, brother, and friend, passed away on October 26,2024 surrounded by his loving family. He was 67 years old. Known for his kind, loving, and humorous personality, Marty's warm spirit will be fondly remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Rest in peace, Marty. The love and laughter you brought to those around you will always be remembered.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Friday, November 1, 2024 - 3:00 p.m. Askew Funeral Home Cavalier, North Dakota

CLERGY

Rev. Beth Peterson

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Jealous of the Angels" -Donna Taggert
"Scars in Heaven" -Casting Crowns

"Go Rest High on that Mountain" Hannah Thorlakson, Trumpet Solo

INTERMENT

Vidalin Cemetery

Cavalier, North Dakota