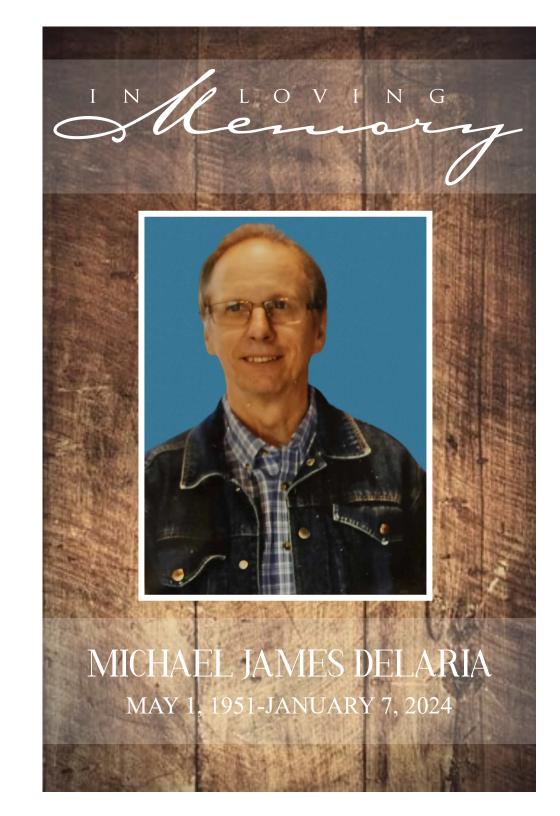
Michael James DeLaria, age 72 of Detroit Lakes, MN died Sunday January 7, 2024 at Essentia Health Hospital in Fargo, ND.

Michael was born May 1, 1951 in Minneapolis, MN to George and Anne (Kissell) DeLaria. He grew up in the Minneapolis area, where he attended school and graduated there. Later he found himself moving to Detroit Lakes, MN. He moved into the House of Agape, which was run by Keith and Jan Barberg. He was united in marriage to Vickie Brahmer of Detroit Lakes on December 3, 1977 at Christian Fellowship Church in Detroit Lakes, MN. They raised three children. Over the years he worked at several jobs in the area including Kandt Motors, and Skarie, Chelmo, and Mickelson Turkey Farms. He then worked in Maintenance at the Jenny O Hatchery in Detroit Lakes, where he worked for many years, retiring in 2018.

Michael enjoyed traveling to Georgia to visit family and spending time with his granddaughters. He loved taking the pontoon out and cruising the lake in the summertime. He also liked watching Gunsmoke every day at noon. Anyone who talked to him either by phone or in person knew that he was an avid Trump supporter. He always watched Trump Rallies on TV.

He is survived by his wife Vickie; one daughter, Sarah (Matthew) Jaster, of Spring Grove, VA; two sons, Jason DeLaria, of Detroit Lakes, MN; and Matthew (Rachael) DeLaria, of Lula, GA; two granddaughters, Zoey and Aroha, of Lula, GA; one brother, Daniel (Sue) DeLaria, of Sebring, FL; two sisters, Patricia Luther, of Elk River, MN; and Mary (Michael) Helgeson, of Andover, MN; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Jerome DeLaria; and one granddaughter, Zemirah DeLaria.



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 Him call I turned my back and left it all I could not stay another day To laugh, to love, to work or play Tasks left undone must stay that way I found that peace at the close of the day If my parting has left a void Then fill it with remembered A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss Ah, yes, these things I too will miss Be not burdened with times of sorrow I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow My life has been full, I've savored much Good friends, good times, 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!

Michael J DeLaria

May 1, 1951 ~ Minneapolis, Minnesota January 7, 2024 ~ Fargo, North Dakota

Memorial Service Saturday, January 13, 2024 ~ 2:00 p.m. Community Alliance Church Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

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