

*In Loving Memory  
Dad*

*He never looked for praises  
He was never one to boast  
He just went on quietly working  
For the ones he loved the most.  
His dreams were seldom spoken  
His wants were very few  
And most of the time his worries  
Went unspoken too.  
He was there... A firm foundation  
Through all our storms of life  
A sturdy hand to hold on to  
In times of stress and strife.  
A true friend we could turn to  
When times were good or bad  
One of our greatest blessings  
The man that we called Dad.*



*In Loving Memory  
Joel Orris Lerbakken*

**Born to Joseph & Opal Lerbakken**  
December 31, 1946 ~ Corinth, North Dakota  
**Returned to His Heavenly Father**  
September 13, 2017 ~ Chandler, Arizona

**Funeral Service**

10:00 am, Saturday, September 23, 2017  
St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
Williston, North Dakota

**Officiating**

Father Charles Heidt

**Music**

G.P. Eleria

**Pallbearers**

Larry Lee            Tim Woytassek  
Darin Twete            Troy Twete  
Craig Thomas        Trevor Swenson

**Honorary Pallbearers**

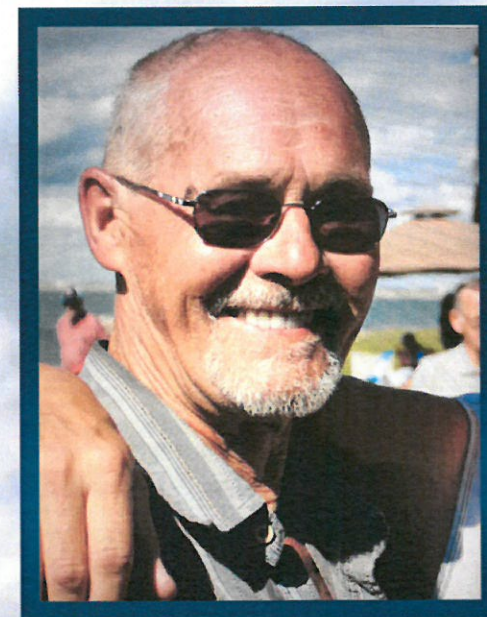
All of Joel's Grandchildren

**Final Resting Place**

Corinth Cemetery ~ Corinth, North Dakota

Arrangements By

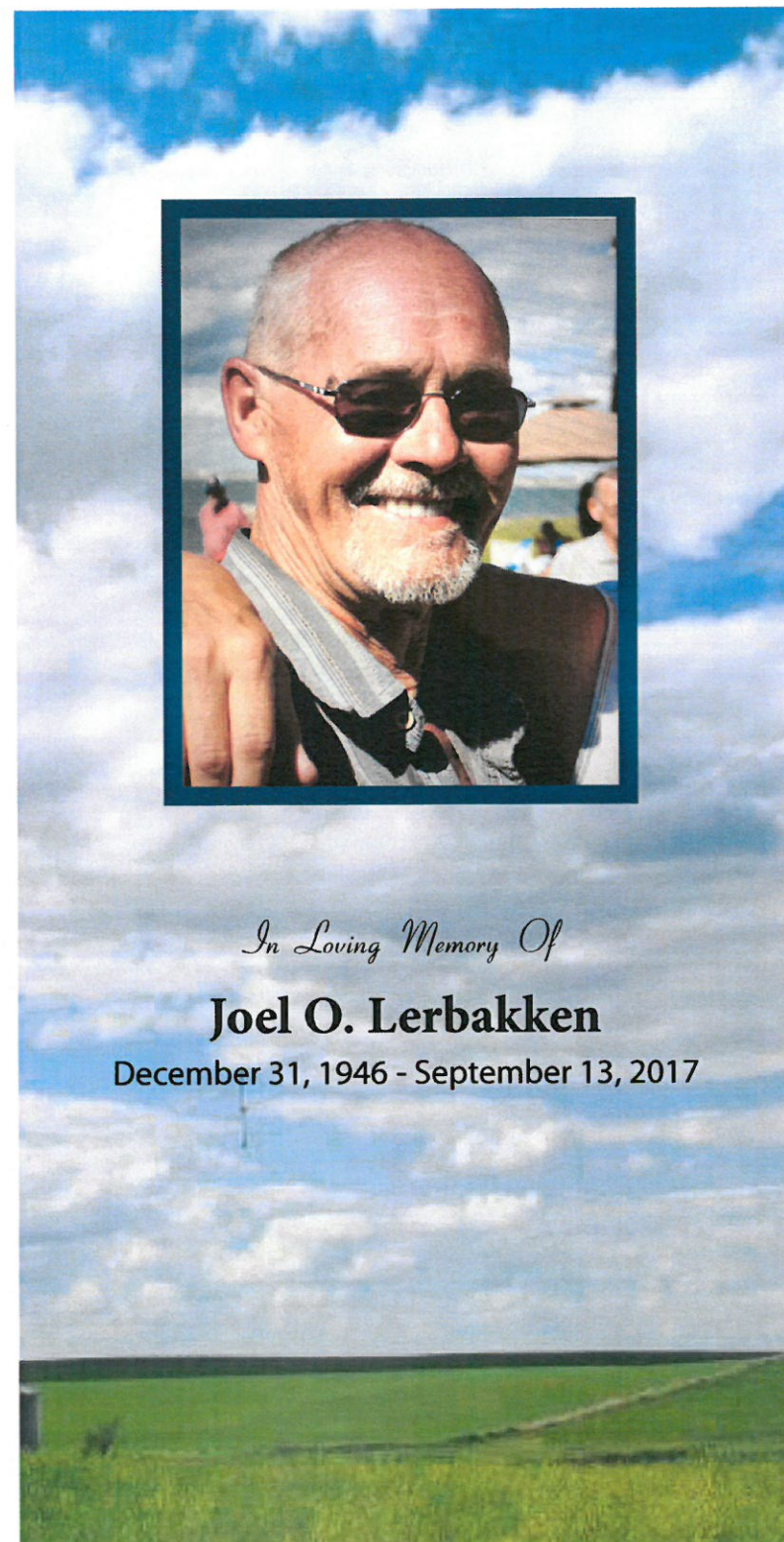
Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Williston



*In Loving Memory Of*

**Joel O. Lerbakken**

December 31, 1946 - September 13, 2017



Joel was born in Crosby, ND on December 31st, 1946, son of Joseph and Opal (Sundrud) Lerbakken. He was raised and educated in Wildrose, ND later graduated from NDSSS in Wahpeton, ND.

On August 13th, 1966, Joel was united in marriage to Paulette Woytassek in Wahpeton, ND. They moved to Portland, OR shortly after where Joel worked as a mechanic before returning to Williston, ND in 1976, where he worked as a mechanic and helped out on the family farm by Alamo, ND. After the love of his life, Paulette, passed away in 2005, Joel moved to Chandler, AZ.

Joel was one of the founding families for the Williston Basin Wrestling Club. He was actively involved while his kids participated. Joel enjoyed golfing, dancing, socializing, talking about farming and spending time with family, especially his grandchildren. He was well known for his smile as well as his great hugs.

Joel is survived by his four sons, Loren (Sandy) of Casper, WY, Colin (Liz) of Fargo, ND, Brandon (Julie) of Williston, ND, Derek of Aspen, CO; one daughter, Stacy (Jeremy) Jones of Fargo, ND; seven grandchildren, Caden, Alexander, Brooklyn, Elena, Camberly, Logan, and Jack Jones; three sisters, Eunice (John) Olson of St. Paul, MN, Gloria (Darrell) Twete of Williston, ND, and Diane (Harvey) Olson of Williston, ND; two brothers, Dale (Jan) Lerbakken of Maricopa, AZ and Monty Lerbakken of Minneapolis, MN

Joel is preceded in death by his wife, Paulette (Woytassek) Lerbakken, mother and father, Joseph and Opal Lerbakken, and brother, Marty Lerbakken.

