

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."

JOHN 14:1-3 NIV.



IN CELEBRATION OF **THOMAS JAMES HUGELEN** MARCH 31, 1944 - JANUARY 5, 2023 Thomas James Hugelen passed away in his home in the loving arms of his wife surrounded by his children on January 5th, 2023.

He was born March 31st, 1944, to James and Adeline (Wentz) Hugelen in Bismarck, North Dakota. Thomas grew up in Napoleon, ND and graduated from Napoleon High School. Thomas served in the United States Army as a Radio Operator with the 1st BN 34th Infantry until he was Honorably Discharged at the rank of E-5.

In 1966 he married Linda Sherman and to that union, two children were born (Kristin & Daniel).

They moved to Beach, ND in 1971 where they owned and operated Skelly Truck Stop and Tom's Place Restaurant. Living in Beach, Tom worked for Power Fuels and was a counselor at the Home on the Range for Boys. After separating from his first wife, Tom moved to a small farm outside of Beach. He had a love for farming, horses, and the outdoors. He also enjoyed bowling, fishing, and hiking with family and friends. In 1985 he married the love of his life, Margarita Ormazabal, and to this union, twin daughters were born (Adeline & Veronica). In 1990, Susana, daughter from Margarita's first marriage, joined them. In 1989 they moved to Williston, ND and managed Trappers Kettle Restaurant until his retirement when the restaurant was sold in 2012.

Tom had a special bond with all his grandchildren and was blessed with 3 great-grandchildren.

Tom was always quick with a witty comment and kept this humor throughout his final hours. He was able to spend his final week with his family and loved ones at his bedside sharing stories, laughter, tears, and prayer.

He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Margarita; his children, Kristin (Dale) Dvorak, Manning, ND, Daniel (Christa) Hugelen, Dickinson, ND, Susana (Gary) Vallad, Riverview, FL, Adeline (Steven) Teske, Fargo, ND, and Veronica (Keith) Meiers, Ross, ND. Grandchildren, Lindsey Dvorak, Devin (Kristal) Dvorak, Derek (Cassidy) Hugelen, Jaren Hugelen, Easton Hugelen, Lukas, Alyssa and Ethan Vallad, Emmalyn and Camden Teske, Teagan and Taya Meiers. Great-grandchildren, Karlie Dvorak, Taytum and Tescher Hugelen. His brother, Harold (Denise Tibbs) Hugelen, Belfield, ND; sister, LeVon (Bill) Hoffer, Napoleon, ND, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

IN LOVING MEMORY THOMAS JAMES HUGELEN

BORN TO JAMES & ADELINE HUGELEN March 31st, 1944 Bismarck, North Dakota

ENTERED HIS FINAL REST January 5th, 2023

Williston, North Dakota

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 11:00 AM Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Chapel Williston, North Dakota

> **OFFICIATING** Paul Haakenson Don Smith

EULOGIST Veronica Meiers

Music

"Amazing Grace" - Statler Brothers "How Great Thou Art" – Statler Brothers

HONORARY URN BEARERS All of Thomas's Family & Friends

MILITARY RITES North Dakota Military Honor Guard

FINAL RESTING PLACE - PRIVATE Tuesday, January 17th, 2023 at 1:00 PM

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery Mandan, North Dakota

ARRANGEMENTS BY

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Williston, North Dakota