

## I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took his hand when I heard His 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 the peace
at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and to thee
God wanted me now, He set me free.

# Lyle W. Kruger

WHO WAS BORN September 28, 1943 Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME February 12, 2019 Milbank, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE Friday, February 15, 2019 - 10:30 a.m. Emanuel Lutheran Church Milbank, South Dakota

OFFICIANT Rev. Timothy Koch

MUSICIAN Kristy Tostenson, Organist

## **CASKET BEARERS**

Jay Mertens
Lars Koepke
Jason Sackreiter

Darin Mertens
Garold Koepke
Darin Sackreiter

### **HONORARY BEARERS**

Jim Mertens Christopher Graham Robert Sackreiter Kevin Sackreiter

### **INTERMENT**

Milbank Cemetery - Milbank, South Dakota

#### **APPRECIATION**

Lyle's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the interment, please join the family for lunch and fellowship in the church dining room.

ARRANGEMENTS BY Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota Lyle Wallace Kruger was born on September 28, 1943, in Milbank, SD, to Clarence and Bernice (Koepke) Kruger. He was baptized and confirmed at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Milbank. Lyle attended school in Milbank and graduated from Milbank High School with the Class of 1961.

Lyle was a farmer and loved helping his dad on the farm until he started his own welding business. On August 30, 1974, Lyle was united in marriage with Kathy Middagh at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Milbank. He loved tinkering on things in his shop and thinking of creative projects for himself. Lyle was very blessed with the gift of conversation and would converse with anyone when he got the chance.

Left to cherish his memory are his children: Colleen (Jerry) Graham, Donna (Brian) Johnson, Keith (Erin) Kruger, and Barb Anderson; grandchildren: Christopher, Virginia, Rebecca, Kenneth, Katie, Mary, Zachary, and Nathaniel; and great-grandchildren: Mathias, Grace, Jacey, Emma, Eric Jr., Mae-Belle, and Blaze.

Preceding Lyle in death are his parents and his brother, David.

