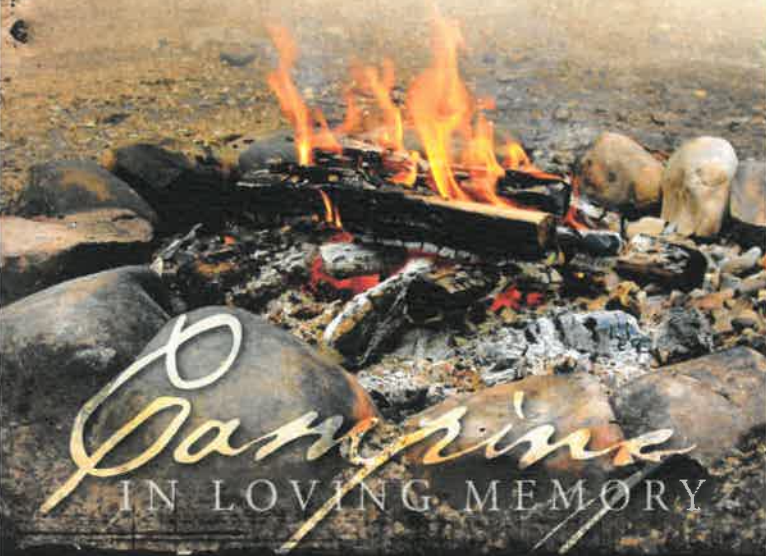




Funny how the good ones go  
 Too soon, but the good lord knows  
 The reasons why I guess  
 Sometimes the greater plan  
 is kinda hard to understand  
 Right now it don't make sense  
 I can't make it all make sense

So long my friend, until we meet again  
 I'll remember you  
 And all the times we used to  
 Sit right here on the edge of this pier  
 Watch the sunset disappear  
 And drink a beer  
 Drink a beer, drink a beer.



*In Loving Memory*

## **Bernie Floyd Olson**

**Born to Floyd & Nyla Olson**  
 May 22, 1958 ~ Williston, North Dakota

**Date & Place of Passing**  
 February 25, 2018 ~ Sturgis, South Dakota

**Funeral Service**  
 11 am, Friday, March 2, 2018  
 West Prairie Lutheran Church  
 Rural Williston, North Dakota



**Officiating**  
 Pastor Nicole Martin



**Music**  
 "Go Rest High on that Mountain" ~ Vince Gill  
 "Peaceful Easy Feeling" ~ Eagles  
 "That's My Job" ~ Conway Twitty

**Pallbearers**  
 Eldy Brunelle      Randy Brunelle  
 Kelly Gilbert      Lib Slater  
 Dave Veach      Art Paulson

**Honorary Pallbearers**  
 All of Bernie's Family & Friends

**Arrangements By**  
 Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Williston, ND



*In Loving Memory Of*

## **Bernie Floyd Olson**

May 22, 1958 - February 25, 2018







# Memories

Bernie Floyd Olson, 59, of Spearfish, SD and formerly of Williston, ND unexpectedly passed away February 25, 2018 in Sturgis, SD.

Bernie was born in Williston, ND to Floyd and Nyla Rae (Anseth) Olson on May 22, 1958. Bernie was raised west of Williston. He attended Johnson school, a single room school house thru 8th grade, and then attended High School in Trenton, graduating Salutatorian in 1976.

His whole life Bernie worked as a carpenter and in oilfield sales. He finished out his last few years in semi-retirement, working at the camp ground at Beaver Bay Recreation Area with his brother Todd as co-host. He was a hard working man! You could count on him for anything. He was very selfless. Bernie's favorite hobbies were hunting,

being outdoors, camping and spending time in Deadwood. He enjoyed watching the



NDSU Bison and the Pittsburgh Steelers. He loved spending time with his grandkids and would go out of his way to enjoy this time with them. He had an addictive, distinctive laugh. You could follow the sound of his laugh to find him in a crowded room. One of the things he was most proud of was that he was able to fulfill his dream of buying his house in the Black Hills. He loved having Christmas there with his family, playing cards, sledding and 4-wheeling. He enjoyed life. He enjoyed people. Bernie loved talking and singing around a good campfire with all of his "Beaver Bay Friends", and the hours spent on Dave and Brandy's pontoon cruising around Lake Sakakawea were Bernie and Michele's favorite times.



He is survived by his loving wife, Michele; his son, Brian and his children,

Kelseigh and Preston, Fremont, NE; daughter Elicia Olson and fiancé John Reis and their daughter, Anna Reis, Dickinson, ND; daughter Jalyn LeBlanc and husband Lonnie and their daughter Avery, Belen, NM; three brothers, Brett Olson (Kristi), Thad Olson (Terri), Todd Olson (Amee), Mesquite, NV; father-in-law, Arthur Paulson, Cartwright, ND; sister-in-law, Becky (John), Yadon Ammon, ID and several nieces and nephews.

Bernie is preceded in death by his parents and his mother in-law.

