

*When we lose  
someone we love  
we must learn  
not to live  
without them,  
but to live with  
the love they left behind.*



Tyler Fretland, 32, of Burnsville, MN formerly of Williston, ND, passed away Saturday, October 1, 2022 due to injuries sustained in an airplane accident outside of Hermantown, MN.

Tyler James Fretland was born to Tom and Bonnie Fretland on June 7, 1990 in Williston, ND. Tyler was joined by his little sister Brianna 2 years later and from that moment they became best friends.

At a young age Tyler showed interest in flying and had talked about joining the Air Force so he could fly for a living. He later started working a job at the airport where his love for airplanes grew stronger. He moved to the Twin Cities to work for Delta and after a few years decided he was ready to jump into the cockpit and make his dream a reality. For the last 3 years Tyler has worked relentlessly to advance his knowledge in flying and ultimately wanted to be a pilot for Delta.

Along with Tyler's love of flying, he had a great sense of adventure. He loved to travel anywhere he could even if it was last minute. He enjoyed trips to Amsterdam, Thailand, Panama, Puerto Rico, and numerous locations in the US. He loved spending time outdoors during the summer and would go kayaking and hiking any chance he could.

Tyler had a heart full of love and stayed in touch with many members of his family and friends from all walks of life. He had the ability to put a smile on anyone's face by his jokes or his silly faces. The moments Tyler shared with every person he met was cherished by him and will continue to be cherished by all.

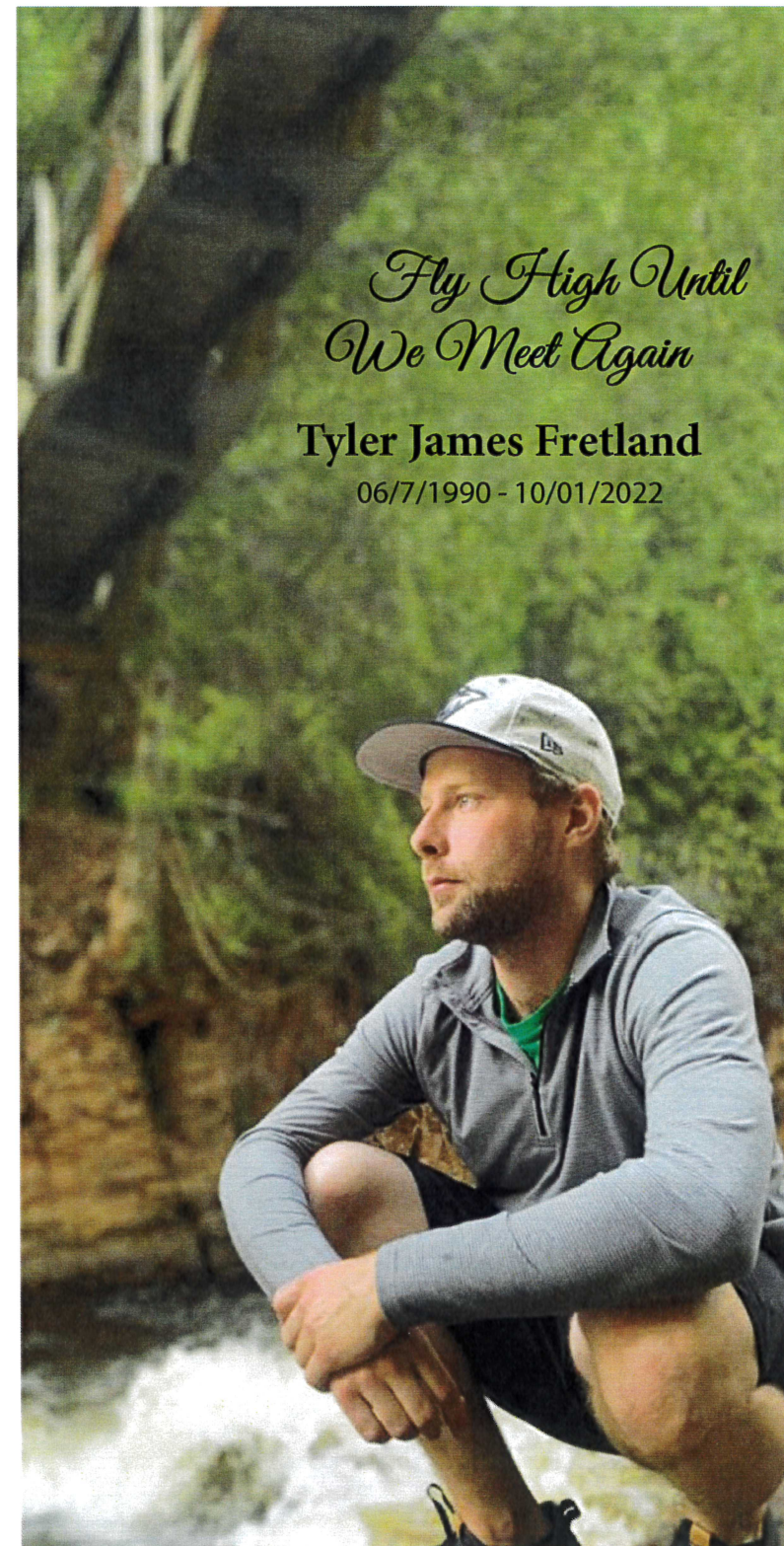
Tyler is survived by his parents, Tom and Bonnie (Slaamot) Fretland; sister, Brianna Fretland; grandma, Ruth Slaamot; godmother, LaVonna Skogberg; goddaughter; Elayna and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Tyler was preceded in death by his grandparents, Duane and Delcina Fretland; grandpa, Martin Slaamot; uncle, Tony Slaamot; and godfather, Dan Neubauer.

*Fly High Until  
We Meet Again*

**Tyler James Fretland**

06/7/1990 - 10/01/2022







*in loving  
memory*

**Tyler J. Fretland**

**Born to Tom & Bonnie Fretland**

June 7, 1990 ~ Williston, North Dakota

**Called Home to His Heavenly Father**

October 1, 2022 ~ Hermantown, Minnesota

**Funeral Service**

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 2:00 PM

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Williston, North Dakota

**Officiating**

Pastor David Maxfield

**Special Music**

"Wings Of A Dove"

"You Raise Me Up"

"Only the Good Die Young"

"Hallelujah"

"I'll Fly Away"

**Honorary Pallbearers**

All of Tyler's Family & Friends

**Arrangements By**

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home

Williston, North Dakota

*Impressions Of A Pilot*

*Flight is freedom in its purest form,*

*To dance with the clouds*

*which follow a storm;*

*To roll and glide, to wheel and spin,*

*To feel the joy that swells within;*

*To leave the earth with its troubles and fly,*

*And know the warmth of a clear spring sky;*

*Then back to earth at the end of a day,*

*Released from the tensions*

*which melted away.*

*Should my end come while I am in flight,*

*Whether brightest day or darkest night;*

*Spare me your pity and shrug off the pain,*

*Secure in the knowledge that I'd do it again;*

*For each of us is created to die,*

*And within me I know,*

*I was born to fly.*

*Gary Claud Stokor*