



Steven Arthur Berneking

April 16, 1980 - September 4, 2015

Steven Arthur Berneking was born on April 16, 1980, the son of Ronald and Jolee Berneking of Farwell. Steve attended grade school in Garfield and Ashby, and attended Jefferson High School in Alexandria, earning his GED in 2000. He was baptized and confirmed at Oscar Lake Lutheran Church near Farwell. Steve was passionate about cooking and worked as a chef at Perkins in high school. He then worked as a fork lift operator for Menards in Belgrade. It was while driving to work one early morning to Belgrade that he was involved in an automobile accident, as a result of this accident he developed a traumatic brain injury.

As a child, he and his siblings enjoyed playing outside at the farm, swimming, building forts, tents and helping with the farm chores. They would feed the cows, at a speed that varied depending on what other fun things they wanted to do. Prior to his accident, Steve enjoyed hunting, downhill skiing, fishing and racing. He was a member of 4H and involved in his church. Steve was a loyal friend whom always had on a million dollar smile. This smile is something that stayed with him after his accident. He was a friendly person whom was always excited to see his family and friends. He had a knack with numbers, at times he used this knack in card games that he would play by himself or with his grandparents and other family members. He was a fan of hotdogs and loved to go out to eat at Pizza Ranch. Steve was a fun loving and caring friend, whom would always greet you with his smile, a good firm handshake and two

thumbs up.

Steve died and joined the angels in heaven on Friday, September 4, 2015 at the Fleetwood home, run by Prairie Community Services. He is preceded in death by his great-grandparents. He is survived by his parents, Ronald and Jolee Berneking; grandparents, Marlin and Arletta Berneking and David and Eleanor Fahlin; siblings, Jennifer (Mike) Bengtson, Michael (Trisha) Berneking, Christopher (Kirstin) Berneking, Erik Zinke and Elizabeth Zinke; nieces and nephews, Lily Vick, Zachary Vick, Keryn Bengtson, Carter Berneking, Addison Berneking and Ayla Berneking; Aunt, Katrina (J.J.) Thomsen and Uncle, Randy (Cheri Grothe) Fahlin.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **11.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

SEP **12.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Oscar Lake Lutheran Church
3 mile south of MN Hwy 27 on Douglas County Rd. 7

Memorial Service

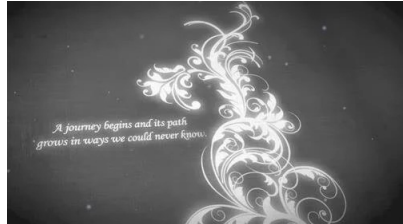
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Tribute Wall



“ *Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Steven Arthur Berneking*



Anderson Funeral Home - September 09, 2015 at 08:16 PM



Nicholas Pahl

Great video of Steve growing up! Love the pics of him and his siblings and friends!!

Nicholas Pahl - September 10, 2015 at 07:30 AM

BL

“ *Jolee,*

*So, so sorry for the loss of your beautiful son, Steven. I didn't know Steven, but by all the comments, I can tell he was a special person with a big heart. He certainly had his mother's kindness. May God give you comfort. Deepest sympathy to the whole family.
Classmate, Barb Leonard*

Barb Leonard - September 11, 2015 at 03:51 PM

CS

“ My prayers go out to the entire family. Mike, Steve and Chris have all been very good friends to my sons and I appreciate every moment they were and are around in body and soul. Thank you for being a part of my family's memories Steve, you will always be remembered. Cindy Schwindt and Sons



Cindy Schwindt - September 11, 2015 at 01:15 PM

MF

“ Mathew Corle and Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Steven Arthur Berneking.



Mathew Corle and Family - September 11, 2015 at 12:34 PM

SM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers and thoughts are with your family.

sheila martin - September 11, 2015 at 08:26 AM



“ Jolee and family, My heart goes out to you at this difficult time. I am praying for you and your family for strength to find a way to heal. Our children are our greatest gifts...may God hold him in his arms with the same love and care that you and your family gave your wonderful boy. Shelly Hyland

Shelly Hyland - September 10, 2015 at 06:59 PM

 Angie
Rusch
Lien

“ *My sympathies to all the family. -Angie
(Rusch) Lien and family.*



Angie Rusch Lien - September 10, 2015 at 09:49 AM

CY

“ *Cynthia Yell lit a candle in memory of Steven
Arthur Berneking*



Cynthia Yell - September 10, 2015 at 09:31 AM

CY

“ *Many years ago when I was working in Glenwood, Steven stopped
by with his girlfriend and took me out to lunch. I will always
remember how touched I was this young man took time out of his
day to do something nice for someone. His smile is what I will
remember as well as his thoughtfulness that day. Rest in peace
dear Steven, your work on earth is done. Enjoy your rewards in
heaven.*

Cynthia Yell - September 10, 2015 at 09:30 AM



“ 57 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Anderson Funeral Home - September 09, 2015 at 08:11 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Steven Arthur Berneking.*



September 09, 2015 at 12:22 PM



“ *May God wrap Stevie's family in the palm of his hand. May the wonderful memories, the thought of his bear hugs bring a smile thru the burn of the tears. I worked with him at Perkins before his accident, we were a tight knit group of friends... even after the accident when he would see us... you could see the twinkle in his eyes... he made me laugh and smile... and heaven just became a better place~ I am grateful for having you in my life ... until we meet again friend... rest easy~*

Shelly Kranz - September 05, 2015 at 08:52 PM

SM

“ *Jolee, I am so sorry.*
Love, Sheila

Sheila Haack Magnuson - September 05, 2015 at 06:57 PM