



## Lambert "Bert" Butler

January 25, 1957 - June 30, 2023

The Mass of Christian Burial for Lambert "Bert" Butler of Verndale, will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday July 8, at St. Frederick's Catholic Church in Verndale.

Visitation will be held on Friday, at the Schuller Family Funeral Home's Verndale Chapel from 5:00p.m. until 8:00p.m. Prayers will be at 6:00 and a Knights of Columbus Rosary at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will resume at the church on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the Mass.

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Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom event.

Lambert "Bert" Butler Funeral Mass Time: Saturday, Jul 8, 2023 10:30 AM  
Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86245320671>

Meeting ID: 862 4532 0671

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Bert peacefully passed away surrounded by the love of his Lord and family on June 30, 2023, at Centra Care Hospital in St. Cloud, MN, at the age of 66.

Lambert “Bert” was born to John and Anna (Britz) Butler on January 25, 1957, in Springfield, IL. At the age of nine, his family moved to Verndale MN, where Bert, unknowingly, first met his future wife, five-year-old Geralyn Forcier. By April 16, 1977 they were married at St. Frederick’s Catholic Church in Verndale.

Through high school Bert worked at Tomlinson’s Lumber, and after graduation from Verndale High School he made glasses at Benson Optical in Staples. Bert attended Central Lakes College for his Class A truck driving license and proceeded to drive for Russ Davis Wholesale in Wadena. For 20 years he drove truck and operated equipment for Central Specialties. In 2019, he retired from Lund Boat Company in New York Mills.

In earlier years, Bert enjoyed horseback riding, horse shows and horse clubs. He also “lived for the land”, enjoying nature while riding motorcycle and hobby farming. In free time he attended tractor pulls, demolition derbies, and traveled. He tinkered on, invented, and repaired equipment, sometimes “with baling wire”!

Dedicated to the Lord all his life, Bert was a member of St. Frederick’s Catholic Church where he was a Mass server and member of Knights of Columbus. He lived for the Lord first and enjoyed all that God gave him on this earth. He freely expressed his opinion, shared his knowledge, and lived God’s will, often a true caretaker of many. He loved his family immensely, believed in Jesus, fairness, equality, justice and peace.

Preceding Lambert in death were his parents, John and Anna; brothers: Al,

Carl, Timothy and Theodore and in-laws, Oscar and Germaine Forcier.

Memories of Bert will remain with his wife, Geri; daughters, Sarah her son Blake Mikkola (her friend, David Waln and his sons, Eric, Tylor and Zachery Waln) of Wadena, and Charlene (Mike) Orlando of Verndale and their sons Ethan and Craig Orlando; brothers, John (Elizabeth) Butler of Clarissa, and Patrick Butler of Menahga; his beloved dog, Bella; along with many nieces, nephews, neighbors and friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be all who called him friend. Serving as pallbearers will be Mike Orlando, Ethan Orlando, Craig Orlando, Blake Mikkola, Tyler Butler and Edward Forcier.

Burial will be in St. Frederick's Catholic Cemetery in Verndale, MN.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Frederick's Catholic Cemetery

16196 County Road 104  
Verndale, MN 56481

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Verndale Chapel  
9 North Farwell Street  
Verndale, MN 56481  
(218) 445-5191

## Prayers

JUL 7. 6:00 PM (CT)

Verndale Chapel  
9 North Farwell Street  
Verndale, MN 56481  
(218) 445-5191

## Rosary

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JUL 7. 7:00 PM (CT)

Verndale Chapel  
9 North Farwell Street  
Verndale, MN 56481  
(218) 445-5191

*Knights of Columbus Rosary*

## Visitation

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JUL 8. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Frederick's Catholic Church  
20 Mason Ave. NW (aka: US Hwy 10)  
Verndale, MN

## Service

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JUL 8. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Frederick's Catholic Church  
20 Mason Ave. NW (aka: US Hwy 10)  
Verndale, MN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - July 06, 2023 at 02:39 PM

VJ

*Sending our deepest sympathy to Bert's family and friends. I know him best as he worked with Scott at Russ Davis and of course the many years as I worked at the license bureau. It was always nice to chat and catch up on what the two of you had been up to. Hugs and prayers Geri. Vicki Jahnke*

Vicki Jahnke - July 11, 2023 at 10:36 AM

GL

“ *You all have been in our thoughts and prayers and will continue to be forever! So sorry for your loss! We know he will be greatly missed! Did not know his first name was Lambert, always knew him as Bert!*  
*Garry & Ginny Langfield & Family*



GARRY J LANGFIELD - August 23, 2023 at 05:22 PM

WS

“ Bert always had a sparkle in his eye and a big smile for all..radiating God's love always! Our sincere sympathy to you Geri and family. Grateful for God's gift of Salvation, we will be reunited in heaven. Our love n prayers are surrounding each of you!



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**Wayne and Sheila Stave** - July 13, 2023 at 11:00 PM

SS

“ Heartfelt sympathy to Bert's family and friends. Just returned from northern Wisconsin and heard the sad news. Saying prayers for all of you.



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**Sally Siegler** - July 08, 2023 at 05:07 PM

RH

“ I'm thinking of you, Geri and family, on this day of celebration of life for Bert. I always enjoyed visiting with him when we would see him.

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**Renee Desrocher Halland** - July 08, 2023 at 08:44 AM

SK

“ Sally Kopp lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



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**Sally Kopp** - July 07, 2023 at 07:31 PM

RO

“ Rosemary Oberg lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Rosemary J Oberg - July 07, 2023 at 02:32 PM

TR

“ The Nonnemans, Paul and Ann, Ron and Kathleen, Bill and Rita planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lambert "Bert" Butler.

The Nonnemans, Paul and Ann, Ron and Kathleen, Bill and Rita - July 07, 2023 at 12:40 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lambert "Bert" Butler.



July 06, 2023 at 11:47 PM

EF

“ Esther & Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Esther and Alan Freitag - July 06, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lambert "Bert" Butler.*



July 06, 2023 at 04:22 PM



“ *Our condolences and praise of the way Bert chose to live and share his life in the Lord.  
Love, Aunt Jenny, and your Kerwin cousins*

**Mike Kerwin** - July 06, 2023 at 04:05 PM



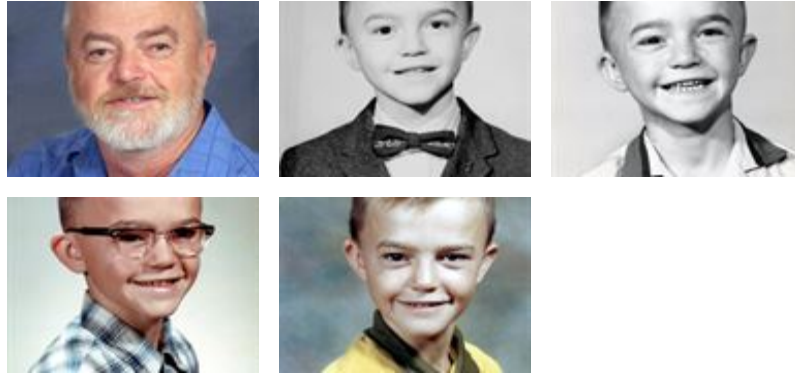
“ *Aunt Jenny, Mike, Kathy, and Kevin purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lambert "Bert" Butler.*



**Aunt Jenny, Mike, Kathy, and Kevin** - July 06, 2023 at 03:45 PM



“ 51 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - July 06, 2023 at 02:38 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Lambert "Bert" Butler.



July 06, 2023 at 11:45 AM



“ *Lynete Terveer* lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Lynete Terveer - July 05, 2023 at 03:17 PM

BS

“ Bruce & Trish Steinkopf lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Bruce and Trish Steinkopf - July 05, 2023 at 12:23 PM

DC

“ Dan & Beth Colby lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Dan and Beth Colby - July 05, 2023 at 08:09 AM

MC

“ Marlene Dale Campbell lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Marlene and Dale Campbell - July 04, 2023 at 11:19 PM

BM

“ Barb Masog lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Barb Masog - July 04, 2023 at 04:26 PM

JC

“ *Jim Janell Carr lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Jim and Janell Carr** - July 04, 2023 at 09:21 AM

TS

“ *Our deepest sympathy.  
Terry & Stephanie Selander*



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**terry selander** - July 04, 2023 at 12:35 AM

MH

“ *Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Marladene Heinen** - July 03, 2023 at 10:32 PM

KK

“ *Ken Karen lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Ken and Karen** - July 03, 2023 at 07:12 PM

FE

“ From Lynn and Todd Erickson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lambert "Bert" Butler.



From Lynn and Todd Erickson - July 03, 2023 at 05:10 PM

BA

“ Brooke Anderson lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Brooke Anderson - July 03, 2023 at 05:01 PM

LE

“ Lynn Todd Erickson lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Lynn and Todd Erickson - July 03, 2023 at 04:56 PM

JF

“ Thinking of you all. May you feel the love, support and prayers that surround you. Rest In Peace Bert💙



Jenny Masog-Podratz & Family - July 03, 2023 at 04:38 PM

KA

“ *Krista Anderson sent a virtual gift in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Krista Anderson** - July 03, 2023 at 03:18 PM

AD

“ *Al & Mary Dolezal lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Al&Mary Beth Dolezal** - July 03, 2023 at 11:07 AM

PD

“ *Patty Desrocher lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Patty Desrocher** - July 03, 2023 at 08:12 AM

JK

“ *Joe Kern lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



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**Joe Kern** - July 03, 2023 at 07:58 AM

HD

“ Gerry and family - We are so sorry for the loss of Bert. Enjoyed our short visit with the two of you a couple of weeks ago. May you find strength in the days ahead.



Harry and Judy Dahlin - July 03, 2023 at 07:00 AM

BB

“ Lifting the families in prayer!!



Bruce and Barb Brown - July 03, 2023 at 12:29 AM

RR

“ Roland Donna Roth lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Roland and Donna Roth - July 02, 2023 at 11:23 PM

KW

“ Kathy Ron Wicht lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Kathy and Ron Wicht - July 02, 2023 at 10:29 PM

BD

“ *Bob Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



Bob and Kathy Derby - July 02, 2023 at 10:24 PM

MH

“ *Mary Houle lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



Mary Houle - July 02, 2023 at 09:35 PM

TL

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Geri and family.  
Tom & Mary Ludovissie*



Tom & Mary Ludovissie - July 02, 2023 at 08:09 PM

LM

“ *Linda McIntire lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler*



Linda McIntire - July 02, 2023 at 06:50 PM

DH

“ Our thoughts & prayers go out to each of you. May God comfort you 🙏❤️.

Darrell & Lisa Hoemberg - July 02, 2023 at 06:29 PM

JP

“ Gerry and families, sorry to hear of Bert's passing. I talked to him at the Galley and at the MAS. He was always easy to talk to. He will be missed by everybody. Prayers for all of you to have peace and comfort in the days to come. Keep the memories and good times together. He is your angel with God. Deepest Sympathys. You are all in our prayers. God bless. Jay and Jackie.



Jay Perius - July 02, 2023 at 06:13 PM

LH

“ Leo Haisman lit a candle in memory of Lambert "Bert" Butler



Leo Haisman - July 02, 2023 at 03:54 PM