



Roger Brandt

July 7, 1945 - May 21, 2010

Roger E. Brandt, 64, of Wadena, MN, formerly of Thief River Falls, passed away at his home on May 21, 2010. Roger was born July 7, 1945 in Bottineau, ND to Emanuel and Violet (Gonitzke) Brandt. He graduated from Souris High School and North Dakota School of Forestry in Bottineau. He married Joyce Schoenwald on August 14, 1971, they had one son, Jared, and were divorced in 1982. Roger worked as a Produce Manager for Piggly Wiggly grocery stores in Minot, ND, and Thief River Falls, MN. Over the years he lived in many different communities and worked at various jobs. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, cooking and socializing with his family and friends.

Survivors include a son, Jared and his wife, Amanda, granddaughters Emily and Ella, all of Omaha, NE; sisters Norma (Orville) Mattern of Kenmare, ND, and Mildred Bushnell of Auburn, WA; brothers Myron Brandt of Kramer, ND, David (Darlene) Brandt of Ontario, Or, Harvey (Diane) Brandt of Everett, WA, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Maynard; sister Arleen; brothers-in-law Clinton and Al; and sister-in-law Virginia. A memorial service will be held on Sunday July 25, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in the Zion Lutheran Church in Kramer, ND. Burial will be at the Kramer, ND Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

RK

“ I am writing to express how sorry we are for your loss. He was a good friend to both of us when we attended SHS. We valued his friendship, sense of humor, kindness and thoughtfulness. Our thoughts and prayers for comfort are with you.

Ron & JoAnn K. - May 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Sending an addition to our earlier note. We enjoyed spending time with Roger when we were all at MSU in Minot. Good times remembered. May your memories give you strength.

R. & J.Kj. - May 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Jared and Family -

So sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad, Father-in-Law, and Grandfather. Cherish the good memories you have of time spent with him and know that he truly loved you all.

Dennis and Marlene Engstrom - May 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Jared,

We are sorry to hear about your dad. I know what it's like going through life without a father, as mine died when I was 21, and somehow you feel short changed. We have to look beyond all of that and remember and cherish the good times.

Yvonne and I spent a good share of our early adult life with your parents and we wouldn't trade that time for anything. The hunting, fishing, and camping trips were memorable; especially when the weather would turn against us and your mom and Yvonne wanted to go back and Roger and I wanted to keep going. Fortunately, we survived and could look back and laugh at ourselves. Laughing at ourselves seemed to be a prevalent thing in those days as I recall when Larry, I and your dad embarked on building a garage. Things were going well until we discovered the concrete slab and the dimensions of the building weren't the same (we made it work; thank goodness the slab was bigger than the building).

I wish you would have had the opportunity to spend as much time with Roger as I did. It is with tears in my eyes and sadness in my heart that I sincerely can tell you that I will cherish the memoires of the best friend anyone could ever have.

Lee & Yvonne Sorenson - May 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM