

Joseph Allen Breckey, beloved husband father, grandfather, brother, and community member, passed away peacefully on July 14, 2024 at the age of 84. Joe was born on April 25, 1940, to Glenn

Lucille Breckey (Engleking) in Tioga, North Dakota. He graduated from Tioga High School in 1958 and went on to

live a life heavily involved in the Tioga community.

On June 6, 1963, Joe married Shirley Brevik, with whom he built a beautiful life. The couple lived in Tioga for five years before moving to a farmstead northwest of the town. Together, they adopted two children, Dennis Lee and Alyce Gay.

Throughout his life, Joe wore many hats. He was a farmer, employed at Roustabout Service and Insulating Co., a volunteer firefighter, a manager at Tioga Lumber, the Tioga Golf Course and a member of the Tioga Farm Festival. He was known for his passion for basketball and played independent ball for many years as well as enjoying hunting and fishing.

Joe is survived by his loving wife, Shirley; son, Dennis Breckey (JuLee Brand) of Nashville, TN; daughter, Alyce Breckey of Tioga, ND; granddaughter, Allison Eidson-Breckey of Nashville, TN; sisters, Ruthie McIntyre of Ontario, OR, Glenda Huseth of Tioga, ND and Carole (George) Ruhl of Jessup, MD.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Glenn and Lucille Breckey and will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.



Celebrating A Life Joseph Breckey April 25, 1940 - July 14, 2024

> And on the 8th day— God looked down on his planned paradise & said "I need a caretaker." — so God made a— FARMER



## The Farmer's Creed

I believe a person's greatest possession is their dignity and that no calling bestows this more abundantly than farming.

I believe hard work and honest sweat are the building blocks of a person's character.

I believe that farming, despite its hardships and disappointments, is the most honest and honorable way a person can spend their days on this earth.

- I believe farming provides education for life and that no other occupation teaches so much about birth, growth and maturity in such a variety of ways.
- I believe many of the best things in life are free: the splendor of a sunrise; the rapture of wide-open spaces; the exhilarating sight of your land greening each spring.
- I believe true happiness comes from watching your crops ripen in the field and your children grow tall in the sun.
- I believe my life will be measured ultimately by what I have done for my fellow man.

I believe in farming because it makes all this possible.

## In Loving Memory Joseph Allen Breckey

Born to Glenn and Lucille (Engleking) Breckey April 25, 1940 ~ Tioga, North Dakota

> **Returned to His Heavenly Father** July 14, 2024 ~ Tioga, North Dakota

Memorial Service Saturday, July 20, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM St. Thomas Catholic Church Tioga, North Dakota

> Officiating Father Corey Nelson

## Soloist Aubrey Hysjulien

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Pianist

Sharon Anderson

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Special Music "Amazing Grace"

Congregational Music "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" ~ #463 "Be Not Afraid" ~ #346 "Song of Farewell" ~ #455 "On Eagle's Wings" ~ #336

Urn Bearers Dennis Breckey Alyce Breckey

> Final Resting Place United Cemetery Tioga, North Dakota

Arrangements By Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Tioga, North Dakota