



RICK DAVID JENNINGS

January 16, 1971 - April 18, 2020

On Saturday, April 18, 2020 Rick D. Jennings, loving husband and father passed away peacefully in his home at the age of 49 after a courageous battle with cancer. Rick was born on January 16, 1971 to David and Kathleen Jennings of Caledonia. He was a graduate of Caledonia High School in 1989. Rick attended Western Technical College and graduated with an Associate Degree in Electronics in 1992. Rick married his high school sweetheart, Shannon Westby on June 11, 1994 at St. Luke's Church in Eitzen, Minnesota. Rick worked as an electrician at G. Heileman Brewing Company from 1992-1999. He then started at Dairyland Power Company in January of 2000 as an electrician at the Alma location. Rick transferred to the Genoa plant as an instrument technician foreman where he worked until September of 2019.

Rick and Shannon were blessed with the birth of their son Kyle on June 27, 1997. Rick cherished his time with family and friends. He enjoyed participating in 4-H in his youth and shared that passion for showing animals with Kyle. They spent a lot of time together at his parent's farm raising fair pigs and beef steers. Rick enjoyed spending time outdoors, whether it be hunting, snowmobiling, 4-wheeling, or helping his dad on the family farm. Rick found the most joy on the farm doing fieldwork. He also enjoyed classic cars, especially his 1969 Chevelle.

Rick will be forever loved and missed by his wife, Shannon, son Kyle and his

fiancée Sierra Olinger, his parents David and Kathleen Jennings, siblings Mike (Lisa), Barbara (Darren), and Mark (Sandy), nieces and nephew Brittney, Haley, and Tyler Jennings. Mother in law Jean (Karl) Stokman, Father in law Jim (Brenda) Westby, Brothers in law Rob (Renee) Stokman, Kasey Stokman, and Carl (Stephanie) Westby, Sisters in law Karla St. Mary, Clare (Mike) Manuel and their children. Rick was preceded in death by his baby brother Daniel, grandparents Lloyd and Wilma Jennings and Oswald and Jeanette Peter, and his nephew Brandon Jennings.

Friends and family will be able to drive their vehicles from 3 to 7 pm on Tuesday April 21, through the south parking lot of St. Mary's Catholic Church, 513 S. Pine St., Caledonia to pay their respects to Rick and greet the immediate family from a safe distance.

A private family service will be held. A celebration of life for family and friends will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Houston County Swine Barn Building project in memory of Rick. Building a new swine barn for the future of 4-H youth and their livestock projects was very important to Rick. He was a founding member of the building committee. Donations can be mailed to: Houston County Fair Building Project Fund, P.O. Box 91 Caledonia, MN, 55921. Make checks payable to Houston County Fair Building Project.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **21**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Saint Mary's Catholic Church
513 S Pine St
Caledonia, MN 55921
(507) 725-3804

Tribute Wall

BK

“ I worked with Rick when he was an electrician at JPM in Alma. I remember one day a steam engine was pulling an excursion train on the Burlington-Northern tracks. Rick and I jumped into a company vehicle to keep pace with it. Rick said that he had never seen a real steam engine before. I told him I'd keep driving while he could just watch it run. That was a good day. Brad Kohler

Brad Kohler - April 21, 2020 at 09:06 PM

SJ

I love this! Thanks for sharing that memory.

Shannon Jennings - April 23, 2020 at 12:54 AM

MB

“ *Charlie and I are very sorry for your loss. Peace and love to you all.*

Mae Bubbers - April 21, 2020 at 10:17 AM

SJ

Thanks Mae and Charlie. ❤️

Shannon Jennings - April 23, 2020 at 12:55 AM

BR

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Rick's passing. He was a special man and will be missed by many.*

Richard and Bernadette

Bernadette Reinhart - April 21, 2020 at 07:33 AM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of RICK DAVID JENNINGS.*



April 20, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Rick's passing. I enjoyed working with him at the Genoa Plant and will forever miss his smile. Take care, Sherry Koenig*

Sherry Koenig - April 20, 2020 at 11:22 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Rick's death. We worked together in electrical maintenance at the brewery and at Dairyland Power. Such an amazing kid, we all loved him! Our condolences to his whole family. Tim and Lu Selover*

Tim L Selover - April 20, 2020 at 09:09 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers for you and your family at this very difficult time. May you find comfort in knowing what a great guy he was.*

Susan Burg - April 20, 2020 at 12:28 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of RICK DAVID JENNINGS.*



April 19, 2020 at 03:20 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Jennings family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Barb and Dan Hurley

Barb and Dan Hurley - April 19, 2020 at 02:29 PM



Thanks Barb and Dan!

Shannon Jennings - April 23, 2020 at 01:06 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to Shannon, Kyle and your extended families. May Rick's humanity and positivity remain strong in your hearts. With love and fondness, Rasa, Bob, Jonas, Greg*

Rasa Bauza - April 19, 2020 at 01:58 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathies and prayers to Shannon and the entire family. Such a sorrowful loss.*

Dan and Annie Meiners Arnold

Annie Meiners Arnold - April 19, 2020 at 11:55 AM

SJ

Thanks Dan and Annie.

Shannon Jennings - April 23, 2020 at 01:08 AM

BM

“ *My deepest sympathy to Shannon, Kyle , and all of Ricks family.
May his memory live forever in your Hearts.*

Barb Mickow - April 19, 2020 at 11:15 AM