

Remembering the life of....

Ronald Jay Brandsted, age 75, of Fargo, ND, died Sunday, September 9, 2018, at Sanford Health in Fargo.

Ron was born December 13, 1942, in Hunter, ND, the son of Fred Leo and Lucille E. (Trego) Brandsted. He grew up in the Clifford-Galesburg, ND, area with a few years in Kathryn, ND. Ron graduated from Clifford High School in 1961, and from Mayville State College in 1966.

On June 12, 1966, Ron was united in marriage to Janice Torkelson at Grafton, ND. He taught and coached in Morgan, MN, and at Fort Dodge, IA, from 1966 – 1982. He earned his master's degree in Education Administration from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa in 1982. Ron was then an Education Administrator from 1982 – 1998 in Sterling, Colorado, and served as Major Brandsted for the Department of Corrections in Sterling 1998 – 2001. He retired in 2001, and they moved to Fargo in 2014.



Ron had also served as a member of ND Army National Guard 1960 – 1965, and with the Colorado Army National Guard 1985-1998.

He loved gardening, golfing, watching sports on tv, and cooking.

Ron is survived by his wife Jan, Fargo; two sons, Gregory (Rickie), Martinsburg, WV, Kent, Elbert, CO; 6 grandchildren: Danica (Derek) Hermanson, Tori (John) Mullineaux, Conner Romick, Braden, Avery and Dax Brandsted; 3 great-grandchildren: Baylee Arnold, Aubree and Gatlin Hermanson; 2 brothers: Ed (Diana), Mayville, ND, Gene (Kathy), Montevideo, MN, and a sister, Fran Ust, Mayville.

He was preceded in death by his parents.



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Footprints

One night a man had a dream...
He was walking along the beach
with the Lord, and
across the sky flashed scenes
from his life.
In each scene, he noticed two sets
of footprints in the sand;
one made by him,
and the other by the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed
before him, he looked at
the footprints in the sand,
and noticed that many times along the path of his life
there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed
that it happened at the worst times of his life.

This bothered him, so he asked the Lord about it.
"Lord, You said that once I decided to follow You,
You'd walk with me all the way.
But, I've noticed that during times of trouble
there is only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why You left me when I needed You most."

The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you
and would never leave you... During your times of trouble
where you see only one set of footprints,
I was carrying you."

Author Unknown

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*Ron's family wishes to express their appreciation for your
kindness and support during this difficult time. Please join
them for fellowship immediately following the service.*



Celebrating the life of

RONALD BRANDSTED



FUNERAL SERVICE

Calvary United Methodist Church

Fargo, North Dakota

Saturday, September 15, 2018 - 10:30 a.m.

Officiant

The Rev. Dave Motta

Music

Julie Chamberlain, *soloist*

"How Great Thou Art"

Mary Motta, *pianist*

Hymns: "Amazing Grace"

"Rock Of Ages"

Honorary Casketbearers

All of Ron's grandchildren

Braden Brandsted Conner Romick Avery Brandsted

Dax Brandsted Danica Hermanson Tori Mullineaux

Casketbearers

Greg Brandsted Kent Brandsted Robert Torkelson

Ken Reynolds Lee Erickson Chuck Tims

Military Rites

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Interment

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery

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