# Remembering the life of....

Herschell Neil Sorrells Jr passed away on Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, just before midnight of natural causes at Bethany on University, in Fargo, North Dakota. He died in peace surrounded by family members.

Neil was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on November 2, 1939, the son of Eleanor & Herschell Sorrells, Sr. He met his future wife, Margaret Anne Tinsley, in Arcadia, Florida, while he was working for his dad at Sorrells Brothers Packing Company. After the birth of his first three children, Trey, Troy, and Scot, he followed the grocery business up North, eventually settling in Minot, ND, to be the owner and operator of North Hill Foods. At the store he provided jobs for his children, college students of Minot State University, members of his church - the Christian and Missionary Alliance, and retired military coming out of Minot Air Force Base. He produced, wrote, directed, and starred in his own television and radio commercials promoting the store, and pioneered many of the features of the modern supermarket.

Later, he fathered two more children, Shannon and Jerry, and raised them in Alexander, ND, where he ran the Ragged Butte Country Market. While there, he supported local community events like Old Settler's Day, coached middle school basketball, and served as a Gideon. He was a beloved father, teaching his children right from wrong, how to run a business, and how to play winning poker. He was a Christian like his father before him and bequeathed that legacy to his children and grandchildren — a blessing that will follow the family for generations.

Neil is survived by his wife, Margaret Anne; his children, Troy (Penny), Scot, Shannon (Lyndon), and Jerry (Brianna); and his grandchildren: Brice, Mark, Cameron, Patrick, Rachel, Jett, Brayden, and Indy.

He is preceded in death by his oldest son, Herschell Neil Sorrells III, whom we call Trey.



#### Psalm 91

- 1 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
- 3 Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence.
- 4 He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.
- 5 You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day,
- 6 Nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.
- 7 A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
- 8 You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.
- 9 If you say, "The Lord is my refuge," and you make the Most High your dwelling,
- 10 No harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.
- 11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;
- 12 They will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.
- 13 You will tread on the lion and the cobra;you will trample the great lion and the serpent.
- 14 "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.
- 15 He will call on me, and I will answer him;
  I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.

16 With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

# Celebrating the life of

# NEIL SORRELLS

#### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

Valley Christian Church Moorhead, MN Monday, January 27, 2020 - 2:00 pm

#### **Officiant**

Pastor Brent Captain

## Speakers

Scot Sorrells, *obituary* Troy Sorrells, *eulogy* 

#### Music

Pastor Brent Captain, pianist

Hymns:

"O Happy Day"

"Amazing Grace"

Shannon Sorrells, soloist on verse I

### **Casket Bearers**

Jerry SorrellsTroy SorrellsScot SorrellsShannon SorrellsPatrick SorrellsCameron Sorrells



The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time.

Please join them for fellowship immediately following the service.