

Remembering the life of....

Barry Reitan, 58, of Casselton ND passed away at home on May 10th, 2021 after a long battle with cancer.

Barry was born on June 11, 1962 to Bud and June (Gust) Reitan in Moorhead MN. Barry spent his life in the community of Casselton. After his graduation from Central Cass High School in 1980 he worked for the Farmer's Union Oil Company for 7 years. Barry was a volunteer firefighter for Casselton for many years. In 1987 he decided to join the ND Air National Guard and trained to be a firefighter. He served as a full time firefighter with the 'Happy Hooligans' of the ND Air National Guard for 27 years and retired as a Master Sergeant. He went on to serve as the Assistant Fire Chief for Hector International Airport following his career with the Air National Guard and retired in 2018 for health reasons.

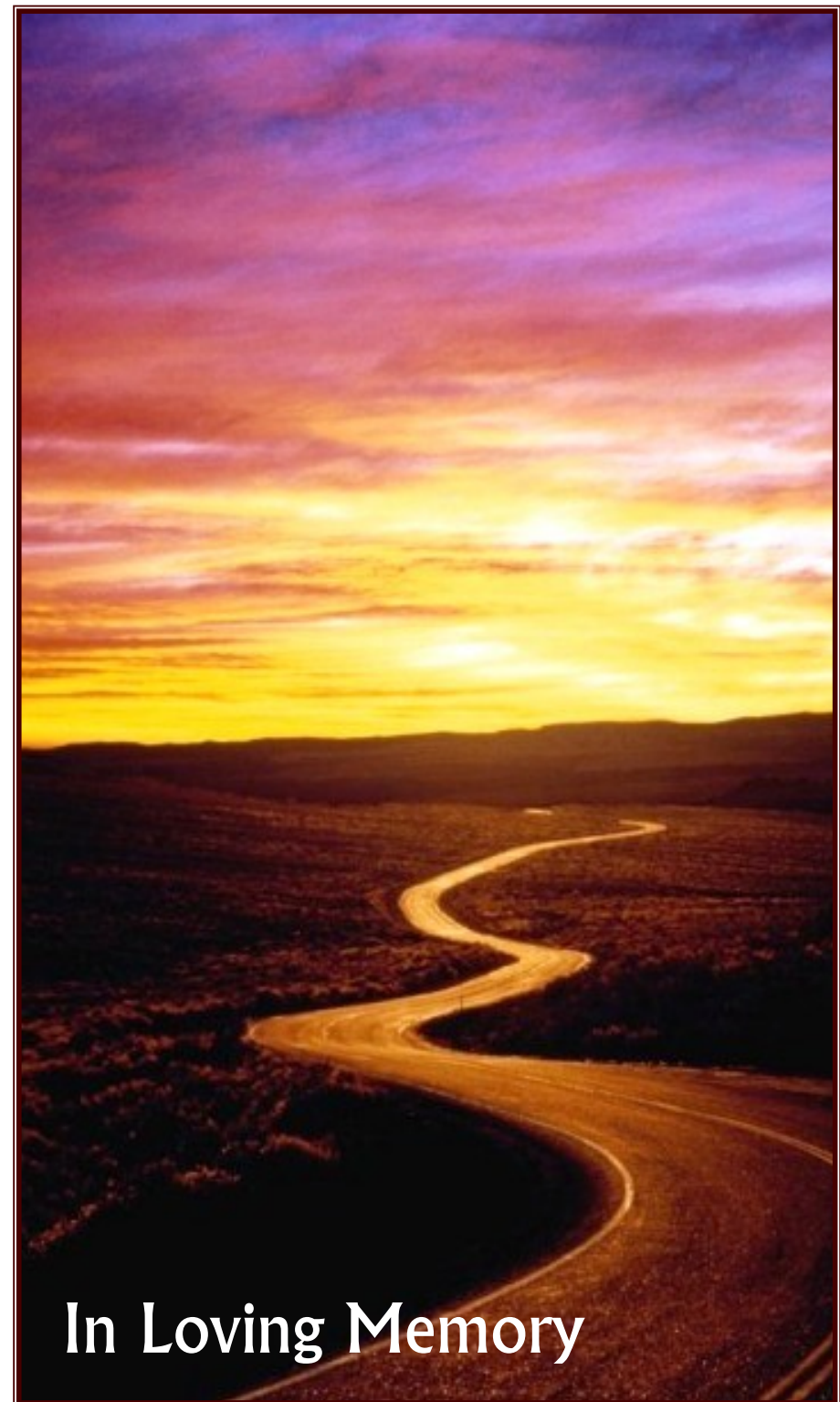
Barry loved farming. During his off hours he worked for the Chaffee Lynchburg Farmers Elevator for many years. He also worked for several area farmers who were looking for extra help plowing fields, planting and harvesting crops. He would spend many hours helping out whenever he was able.

On April 26, 2003 Barry married Theresa Montgomery and shortly after they welcomed their only child Sydnee. When not working, Barry took Sydnee fishing, hunting and scouting for deer. He loved spending time with Sydnee and Theresa driving around out in the country.

Barry leaves behind his wife of 18 years, Theresa, and his daughter Sydnee. Mother June, Mother in-law Joyce Montgomery. Brothers Tim, Mike (Michelle) and Danny, sister Penny (James Schmidt) Rowinski, brothers in-law Lane and Wade (Chris) Montgomery, sisters in-law Renee Montgomery and Jackie (Tom) Piche along with many nieces and nephews and several great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father Bud Reitan, father in-law Roger Montgomery, grandparents Henry and Laura Reitan and Elmer and Nellie Gust.

Memorials in lieu of flowers to the Casselton Fire Department.



In Loving Memory

Celebrating the life of
BARRY J. REITAN



FUNERAL SERVICE

Martin's Lutheran Church

Casselton, North Dakota

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 - 2:00 p.m.

Officiants

The Rev. Mike Jacobson

The Rev. Keith Walka

Music

Margaret Wood, *soloist*

"On Eagle's Wings"

Corrine Heaton, *pianist*

Recorded Selections

"Butterfly Kisses" *by Jeff Carson*

"Go Rest High On That Mountain" *by Vince Gill*

"Wind Beneath My Wings" *by Bette Midler*

"Amazing Grace" *by Ian McGregor & Scottish Pipe Band*

Honorary Pallbearers

All of Barry's Nieces & Nephews

and Grand Nieces & Nephews

Military Honors

Casselton VFW & American Legion Honor Guard

ND Military Funeral Honors Team



Don't grieve for me,
From pain I'm free!
I'm following the path
God has laid, you see.
I took His hand when
I heard His call.

I turned around
and left it all.
I could not stay another
day to laugh, to love,
to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way,

I found the peace on a sunny day.

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it with remembered joys.

A family shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I've savored much,

Good family, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seem all too brief

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee.

God wanted me now; From pain I'm free.

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.

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