

Erik Joshua Carlson was born on January 8, 1982. On February 10, 1982, he was adopted into the Mauritz and Eilene Carlson family, Sheyenne, ND. He was baptized and confirmed at Grace Lutheran Church in Sheyenne. He graduated from Sheyenne High School in 2000 and upon graduation he attended Minnesota State University, Moorhead, MN. He was an Assistant Manager at Dakota Boys Ranch Thrift Store for several years, until he moved back to ranch with his father on the family farm. On October 27, 2021, he married Carly Jo Thompson and they resided in New Rockford, ND.

On May 13, 2022, Erik returned home from working with the cattle and collapsed on the landing steps. He died from natural causes at CHI St. Alexius Medical Center, Carrington, ND. "He died with his boots on."

Erik had a deep love for animals and the outdoors. This love started young and was evident in the many awards he won in both 4-H and Science Fair Competitions. He won the State Junior High Science Fair as a 6th grader, which prompted the rules committee to make 6th graders ineligible in following years. He had many dogs throughout his life, but his favorite was his current German Shepherd, named Elska, meaning "love" in Icelandic.

Erik loved music and had been playing drums since 3rd grade. He was active in several bands throughout his life.

Erik will be deeply missed by his wife, Carly Jo; his parents, Mauritz and Eilene; one sister, Theresa Howatt-Perry, Omaha, NE; brothers, Danny (Emily) Hebert and Rodney Sunderland; sister, Reanna Molstad, brother-in-law, Joe Thompson; mother-in-law, Judy (Pete) Polansky; father-in-law, Joe P. Thompson; several aunts and uncles; and 1 niece and 3 nephews.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents; brother-in-law, Mark Howatt; and aunt, Vivian Carlson.



Celebrating

THE LIFE OF



Erik Carlson

JANUARY 8, 1982 – MAY 13, 2022

VALHALLA CALLING

Ships on vigor of the waves are skimming

Barren summits to the verdant plains

Each horizon is a new beginning

Rise and reign

Far from the fjords and the ice cold currents

Ravens soar over new frontiers

Songs and sagas of a fate determined

Shields and spears

Vows of favor or the thrill of plunder

Pull together for the clan and kin

Clank of hammers and the crash of thunder

Pound within

Song by Miracle Of Sound

Celebrating The Life Of

Erik Joshua Carlson

January 8, 1982 – Grafton, ND

May 13, 2022 – Carrington, ND

VISITATION

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

2:00PM - 3:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

3:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, New Rockford, ND

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Erik's Close Friends and Family

BURIAL

Riverside Cemetery, Sheyenne, ND

Arrangements by

Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND

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