

Michael Steven Pohlen was born on July 10, 1954, in Marshall, to Benjamin and Lorene (Thomas) Pohlen. He was born and raised on the Pohlen family farm. The same farm the couple owned and operated to present. Mike attended St. Edward Catholic School and graduated from Minneota High School in 1972. On July 10, 1976, he was united in marriage to Cecelia Drown. He loved farming and was passing that love along to his children and grandchildren. He liked camping, kayaking, bicycling, bird watching, and the newest hobby wine making. He enjoyed traveling with his wife and taking destination vacations, many which included their grandchildren. Mike also enjoyed visiting with family and friends bringing a smile to the face of all who knew him. He took great pride in watching his grandchildren grow, play and pray.

Through a recent series of medical events, Mike suffered respiratory failure which lead to a cardiac arrest. He later died on Wednesday, October 29, 2014, at the Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls, SD.

He is survived by his wife, Cecelia, of Minneota, children Nathan (and Cari) of Minneota, Theresa MacArthur and Dan Schipper of Canby, Nicholas (and Casey) of Minneota, grandchildren Alex, Emily and Isaac Pohlen, Lily and Liam MacArthur, Logan and Levi Pohlen, siblings Eunice Haugen, Jerry Pohlen, Diane (and Jim) Jelen, Ben (and Sue) Pohlen, Doug (and Linda) Pohlen, Margene (and Bernie) Claeys, brother-in-law Herb Schmitz, many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Jennifer (Angel Jenny), parents Ben and Lorene, sisters Phyllis VanWatermeulen, Lois Schultz and Delores Schmitz.

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