

FOOTPRINTS

*One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was
walking along the beach with the LORD.
Across the sky flashed scenes from his life
For each scene, he noticed two sets
of footprints in the sand; one belonged to him,
and the other to the LORD.*

*When the last scene of his life flashed before him,
he looked back at the footprints in the sand.
He 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 very
lowest and saddest times in his life.*

*This really bothered him and he questioned the
LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once
I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way.
But I have noticed that during the most troublesome
times in my life, there is only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why when I
needed you most you would leave me."*

*The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child,
I love you and would never leave you.
During your times of trial and suffering,
when you see only one set of footprints,
it was then that I carried you."*





Denneth was born near Montevideo on Dec. 20, 1940, to Herman and Lydia (Weckwerth) Kurtzbein. He was the youngest of four siblings, which included brothers Donald and Duaine, and sister Delores. Denneth grew up and lived his entire life at the Kurtzbein family farm northeast of Montevideo, and he attended school through the eighth grade at District 7 country school.

In 1960, Denneth joined the National Guard and received his honorable discharge from the guard in 1966. While a member of the guard, Denneth continued to help out on the family farm.

In 1970, Denneth met his future wife, Patty Nelson, of Milan, while on a snowmobiling trip to the Park Rapids area. The couple began dating and were married on April 10, 1971. They then purchased a mobile home and moved it to the Kurtzbein family farm. In 1973, the young couple built a home on the farm site.

Denneth was a founding member of the Minnesota Valley Antique Farm Power and Machinery Association, and the organization's annual threshing show was held for a number of years at the Kurtzbein farm. Denneth and Patty continued to be involved with the club throughout the ensuing years.

In addition to farming, Denneth's interest and passion for preserving farm life led him and Patty to begin restoring antique tractors and farm machinery, not only for themselves, but for others as well. The quality of their restoration work became widely known, and in the 1990s, what began as a hobby had become a full-time business for them. Denneth was also instrumental in starting an antique tractor pull organization, and he and Patty participated in numerous tractor pulls over the course of many years. Together, they also enjoyed traveling to many threshing shows across the region to show off their restored tractors, which included the lines of Allis Chalmers, John Deere, and Minneapolis Moline.

Denneth had a special place in his heart for the many dogs and cats that found a home at the Kurtzbein farm throughout the years.

Denneth is survived by his wife of 50 years, Patty, his brother Duaine Kurtzbein and sister-in-law Mary Lou, sister-in-law Carol Kurtzbein, brother-in-law Norman Milbrandt, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Lydia, brother Donald, and sister Delores.

Denneth William Kurtzbein, age 80 of Montevideo, passed away on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, at the Clara City Care Center.

Blessed be his memory.

Celebrating The Life Of

Denneth W. Kurtzbein

BORN

December 20, 1940
Montevideo, MN

DIED

May 5, 2021
Clara City, MN

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Monday, May 10, 2021 - 10:30 AM
St. John's Lutheran Church
Montevideo, MN

OFFICIATING

Pastor Kent Borglum

ACCOMPANIST

Marie Boettcher

MUSIC SELECTIONS

"Amazing Grace"

"I'm But a Stranger Here"

"My God and I" - CD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 116

Lamentations 3:22-26

Colossians 3:1-4

Matthew 28:1-7

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