



John Kasmer, 66, of Williston, ND passed away on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at his residence with his family by his side.

John Joseph Kasmer was born on May 1, 1958 in Dearborn, Michigan to Richard and Loretta Kasmer. The family moved to St. Joseph, MI where John received his education.

John would go on to attend Dayton University on an athletic scholarship to continue his football career at the Division 1 level.

After college, John heard from his twin brother, Christopher, of the opportunities that the North Dakota oil field could bring. This next adventure brought him to Williston, where he quickly found a "home" in his search for prosperity.

He married Tracey Sherman on March 20, 1982. They have one daughter, Sara.

During his early time in the oil business, John met Dean Aafedt and eventually the two formed Kasmer & Aafedt Oil. With nearly 35 years of managing businesses daily together, they become more like family. Their office was a place to gather and became a sounding board for so many to stop by to ask "Kaz" for advice, catch up, or close a big deal!

John and Tracy's grandson, Kayden was born. From that day on, they were the best of friends.

John and Kayden shared many adventures together along with their hobby of vehicles. John truly did love to see Kayden do the many things he enjoyed and will continue to watch over him.

John was passionate about his church, community, golf and his family. He had the biggest heart and gave so much of his time to so many community actions. He was a "master" fundraiser, which came from this ability to connect with everyone.

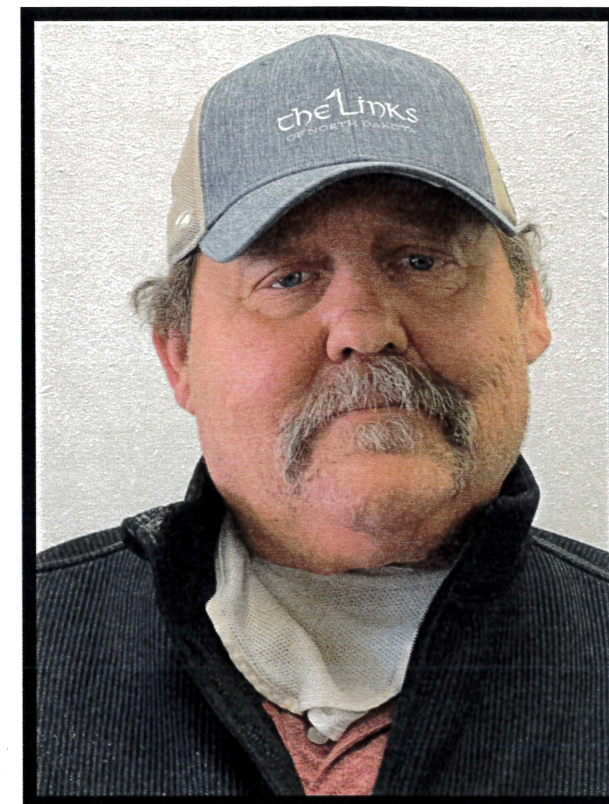
John is survived by his wife, Tracey Kasmer; daughter, Sara Kasmer-McDaniel and her husband, Chris McDaniel; grandson, Kayden John Kasmer; mother, Loretta Kasmer; sisters, Cathy (Jim) Duncan, Rosanne (Randal) Sawyer, Paula (Alie) Poorani; brother, Mark (Pam) Kasmer; numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father, Richard Kasmer; twin brother, Christopher Kasmer.

If you would like to give a Memorial in memory of John, please consider donating to:

Children's Lunch Program at St. Joseph's Catholic School, PO Box K in Williston, ND 58802. Williston Water World % Williston Parks & Rec. PO Box 1153 in Williston, ND 58802. Williston State College Foundation 721 E Highland Dr. Suite D in Williston, ND 58801

Celebrating A Life Well Lived



John Kasmer

May 1, 1958 - January 7, 2025



Kasmer & Aafedt Oil, Inc.

"Everything Ends Well

With An Oil Well"

The Dash Poem

I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
From the beginning...to the end
He noted that first came the date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years
For that dash represents all the time
That they spent alive on earth.
And now only those who loved them
Know what that little line is worth
For it matters not, how much we own,
The cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
And how we spend our dash.
So, think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left
That can still be rearranged.
If we could just slow down enough
To consider what's true and real
And always try to understand
The way other people feel.
And be less quick to anger
And show appreciation more
And love the people in our lives
Like we've never loved before.
If we treat each other with respect
And more often wear a smile,
Remembering this special dash
Might only last a little while
So, when your eulogy is being read
With your life's actions to rehash...
Would you be proud of the things they say
About how you spent YOUR dash?

John Joseph Kasmer

Born to Richard and Loretta Kasmer

May 1, 1958 ~ Dearborn, Michigan

Returned to His Heavenly Father

January 7, 2025 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Funeral Mass

Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 11:00 AM

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Williston, North Dakota

Lunch will be served after the service ~ ARC Meeting Rooms

<i>Officiating</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Musician</i>
Father Paul Eberle	Tim Conlin	Emily Driscoll

Music

"Be Not Afraid"

"The Lord is Kind and Merciful"

"Only In God"

"Panis Angelicus"

"Amazing Grace"

Urn Bearers

Chris McDaniel	Dean Aafedt
John Liffbrig	Larry Grondahl
Pat Hennessy	Rick Pflug
Tom Powers	Luke Aafedt

Honorary Urn Bearer

John's Best Friend and Grandson, Kayden Kasmer

Final Resting Place

Riverview Cemetery

Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home
Williston, North Dakota



I Had a Wonderful Papa

*I had a wonderful papa,
one who never really grew old;
His smile was made of sunshine,
and his heart was made of gold.
His eyes were as bright as shining stars,
and his cheeks a little rosy you'll see.
I had a wonderful papa, and
that's the way it will always be.
And I will take note, because
he's still keeping an eye on me.
So I will always do my best and
make sure he likes what he sees.*

Kayden
Kasmer

"Steward
Of The
Month"

