rural Humboldt, NE



Luke Aaron Avery, rural Humboldt, Nebraska, went home to his Heavenly Father on March 12, 2024. He was 47 years old.

Luke was born April 26, 1976, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Dan and Deb Avery. He was the first of their three children. The family moved to the family farm north of Humboldt in May 1980. After several years of home school, Luke enrolled at Southeast Nebraska Consolidated School where he graduated in 1994. He attended Peru State College and completed a degree in mathematics in 1998. From his last year of high school through his four years of college, Luke was a valued employee of the Hinky Dinky grocery store in Auburn. With his degree, Luke moved to Firth and began work at Information Technology Inc. in Lincoln. In time that business became Fi-Serv. As an employee, Luke traveled extensively in the States--experiences he enjoyed. After the pandemic changed work environments, Luke signed on with Charles Schwab where he was able to work from home.

Luke received Christ as Savior as a child and put his faith into practice through the years. He was a faithful Awana leader both in his church in Firth and then at the Auburn Berean Church. In Firth he was also a church elder, treasurer, and active in missions' outreach. Numerous young people have given testimony of Luke- influence in their lives. He expressed his faith and trust in God during his illness posting he was thankful that "We have a God to turn to in times of uncertainty, because we know He knows the outcome, and if we know Him, we know the outcome is good no matter what!"

Family was important to Luke. Family history and genealogy interested him. He enjoyed his connection to family in St. Louis and found times to visit. As he grew up, he formed friendships with his numerous cousins. There he was known for his ability to recall names, dates, and all manner of statistics regarding his two favorite sports teams: the Cornhuskers and the Cardinals.

On June 10, 2011, Luke and Nicole Pryor of Des Moines, Iowa, were married in an outdoor ceremony in Winterset, Iowa. They lived in Firth and welcomed Levi before purchasing a farm house in Nemaha County north of Humboldt in 2014. Lucy arrived soon after the move. In the following years Daphne, Moses, Violet, and Nellie joined the family. Luke was grateful to have his children in the farming community he knew. The family played board games and completed

jigsaw puzzles together. They enjoyed yard games and especially their vacation travels.

In addition to his wife and six children, Luke- survivors include his parents, Dan and Deb Avery; his siblings: Seth (Tessi) Avery of Humboldt and Anna (Mark) Hayes of Omaha; parents-in-law Al and Vicky Pryor of Des Moines; sister-in-law Danielle Pryor (Timmy Jaynes) of Des Moines; numerous nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Memorial Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 23, 2024, at the Auburn Berean Church, 17th & N street in Auburn, Nebraska with Pastors Tim Schmidt and Kent Clark officiating. Visitation will be from 1-8 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 2024, also at the Auburn Berean Church with the family greeting friends from 6-8 p.m. Inurnment will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in rural Humboldt, Nebraska.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Luke Avery Family Fund. Donations are available for deposit at any First National Back of Johnson location.

Condolences can be shared online at <u>www.wherrymortuary.com</u>

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