

*Duane Arden Runcorn* was born in Rugby, ND on December 7, 1944, the son of Fred and Emma (Sund) Runcorn. Following his high school graduation, he attended Moler Barber College in Fargo and then moved to Dickinson. Duane was drafted into the US Army in August 1965. He was stationed in Vietnam as a supply specialist and was honorably discharged in 1967. Duane returned to Dickinson and it was here where he met the love of his life, Sharon Boespflug. They married on October 11, 1969 in Dickinson and were blessed with two sons, Bryan and Tim. Duane had a 50+ year barber career in Dickinson. He retired in 2012. He was a member of York Legion Post #268, VFW Post #3444 and the Dickinson Eagles Club. Duane enjoyed playing cards and games with his boys and family. He also enjoyed watching ND college sports. In 1990 the family purchased a lake home at Mosset Bay. They enjoyed 25 years at the lake making many memories with family and friends. Duane always had coffee on and the table ready for anyone who stopped by to visit. His door and heart were always open to all. Duane was a gentle giant who loved people and life. He truly shared the gift of hospitality. Duane is survived by his wife, Sharon of 51 years; sons, Bryan (Brenda) of Williston; Tim (Amy) of Fargo; seven grandchildren, Mitchell, Jake, Devin, Shana, Lexy, Brittney, McKayden and one great-granddaughter, Aunya; sister, Janice Gableman of Mesa, AZ; in-laws, Mickey (Joan) Boespflug; Richard (Jan) Boespflug, Mark (Valerie) Boespflug; Paul (Jeanne) Boespflug, Karla (Paul) Erickson; Don (Shelly) Boespflug; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded by his parents, Fred and Emma Runcorn; sisters, Blanche, Lori, Carol; brother, Bill; mother-in-law, Leona Boespflug.



# Duane Runcorn

December 7, 1944 - December 4, 2020

*Well,  
It is what it is...*







The Airman's Prayer



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## PRIVATE FUNERAL MASS:

Friday, December 18, 2020 10:00 am  
St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
Dickinson, North Dakota

## PUBLIC ROSARY & VIGIL:

Thursday, December 17, 2020 6:00 pm  
Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota  
Deacon Al Schwindt

## CELEBRATING:

Father Keith Streifel

## MUSIC:

Angela Reiter

## READERS:

Tim Runcorn & Bryan Runcorn

## MILITARY HONORS:

Dickinson Honor Guard  
American Legion Post #3

## URNBEARERS:

All of Duane's Family & Friends

## INURNMENT:

Friday, December 18, 2020 2:00 CST  
North Dakota Veterans Cemetery  
Mandan, North Dakota

## ARRANGEMENTS BY:

Stevenson Funeral Home  
Dickinson, North Dakota

*God saw he was getting tired,  
And a cure was not to be,  
So He put His arms around him,  
And whispered, "Come with me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched him suffer  
and saw him fade away.  
Although we loved him dearly,  
We could not make him stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating,  
Hard-working hands to rest;  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.*

