Blake Lee Lunders, son of Jeannette (Grismer) and Arnold Lunders, was born in Aberdeen on June 25, 1971. He was brought up on the family farm 12 miles east of Hosmer. He attended school in Hosmer, graduating with the Class of 1989. He went on to Lake Area Vocational School in Watertown, focusing on electrical studies. He then returned to the family farm. Blake married Tammy Thomas on July 1, 1995 at St. Augustine's Church in Bowdle. They first settled on the farm west of Hosmer. In 1998, he became employed at Schur's Manufacturing, where he worked the rest of his life, and relocated to Roscoe. His work at Schur's included lots of welding, farming and fabricating. From 2001-2009, Blake and his family lived in Bowdle and then they relocated to a farm near Roscoe where he lived the rest of his life. Blake will be remembered as a dedicated volunteer fireman, both for the Roscoe and Bowdle squads. Since 2010, he served as Roscoe’s Fire Chief. He was also gifted with the ability to turn trash into treasure. He was able to revive old lawn mowers and even made his own log splitter. He was skilled at building (actually over-building) things from recycled materials and wood. Blake also cherished being a grandpa. Blake died Monday afternoon, September 14, 2020 in a farm accident NW of Ipswich.

Blake is survived by his father, Arnold, of Aberdeen; Tammy, his wife of 25 years; one son, Cody Lunders, of Bowdle; three daughters, Ashley (Jay McCarlson) Lunders of Bowdle, Heidi (Scott) Lunders Miller and Belle Lunders of Roscoe; two brothers, Jake (Katrina) Lunders of Roscoe and Keith Lunders of Ipswich; one sister, Susan (Marlin) Lehr of Aberdeen; two grandchildren, Hailey and Natali; his niece, Melissa (Paul) Fisher of Aberdeen; and his nephew, Kendall Lunders, of Ipswich.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Jeannette, on April 6, 2012 and his brother, Edward, on September 2, 1979.

Lien Funeral Home of Bowdle is privileged to assist Blake’s family with his funeral arrangements.
No eye has seen,
Nor ear heard,
Nor the heart of man conceived,
what God has prepared
for those who love Him.

1 Corinthians 2:9

In Loving Memory of
Blake Lunders
June 25, 1971 - September 14, 2020

WAKE SERVICE
St. Augustine’s Catholic Church
Bowdle, South Dakota
5:00 P.M., Sunday, September 20, 2020

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL
St. Augustine’s Catholic Church
Bowdle, South Dakota
10:00 A.M., Monday, September 21, 2020

CELEBRANT
Father Darin Schmidt

MUSIC
Musicians~ Margy Bobby  Ann Thomsen
Vocal Selections~
#665 “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”
#575  “Worthy is the Lamb”
#327 “I am the Bread of Life”
#664 “Carry Me Home”

LECTOR
Blake’s Father-in-law~ Norbert Thomas

PLACING THE PALL
Blake’s Children~ Ashley  Heidi  Cody  Belle

HONORARY BEARERS
Blake’s Co-workers at Schurr’s
Edmunds County Volunteer Firefighters

CASKETBEARERS
Dave McCarlson  Jay McCarlson  Mike Kessel
Scott Miller  Allen Beyers  Chad Preszler

INTERMENT AND FIREFIGHTER’S BELL SERVICE
St. Augustine’s Catholic Church Cemetery
Bowdle, South Dakota

ARRANGEMENTS BY
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Bowdle, South Dakota

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