

Perry M. Oster, age 60, of Langdon, North Dakota, passed away unexpectedly at his home on October 4, 2023.

Perry was born in Carrington, North Dakota on December 9, 1962, to Marvin and Angie Oster. He grew up in Carrington and attended Carrington High School. After graduating high school in 1982, he attended North Dakota State School of Science earning a degree in Accounting.

In 1984 Perry started at United Telephone as an Accountant. Shortly after being hired he became the Office Manager and remained in that role until 2010 when he became the General Manager/CEO until his retirement in 2021 after 37 years with the company. Perry was respected by his employees and was always willing to lend a hand, whether it was working on a float for a parade or implementing new technology.

When Perry started at United Telephone, the company was a small Cooperative that provided local and long-distance service. During his tenure, the company acquired more exchanges, eventually becoming known as United & Turtle Mountain Communications, and offering local, long-distance, IPTV, and fiber to its home subscribers. From having zero computers in the office to fiber at every home in the service area, Perry was instrumental in transforming the company over the years.

Perry put his heart and soul into his work and the company, making many lifelong friends along the way. He was a leader in the telecommunications industry and was on many boards including Dakota Carrier Network, RSA2, RSA3, North Dakota Long Distance, North Plains Utility Contracting, and also served on the Member Advisory Committee for the National Information Solutions Cooperative for many years.

The Shriners had a special place in Perry's heart. He was secretary of the 49ers Shrine Club for 10+ years and a member of the Lebanon Lodge. His summers were spent at Lake Juanita and Mount Carmel Dam. He loved being at the lakes with family and friends, laughing and sharing stories around the campfire or in his grain bin bar. His favorite holiday was July 4th, especially taking his great nephews to buy the largest fireworks they could find. Perry enjoyed traveling, UND hockey, his tractor, and ATV but his two loves were his work and summers at the lakes.

Perry will be deeply missed by Connie Stremick, significant other of Langdon; her family Troy & Frankie Stremick (Conner, Ava), Terra & Paul Medbery (Rylee, Hadley, Blakely), and Jill Stremick (Dekker) all of Langdon; his mother, Angie Oster, Carrington; sister Melody (Brian) Klein, Inver Grove Heights, MN, nephew Brett Klein, niece Kristina Klein & Zach Seipel; brother Brian (Leslie) Oster, Carrington, Nephew Brandon & Kacey Rask, (Cayden and Alivia) Bismarck, Niece Nichole & Dustin Garber, (Callen, Nic, & Briggs) Carrington.

Perry was preceded in death by his father, Marvin Oster.

In Loving Memory



Perry Oster

DECEMBER 9, 1962 – OCTOBER 4, 2023

IF YOU KNEW

If you knew where I am standing,
If you could see the sights I see,
If you could hear the angels singing
the songs they sing eternally,
If you knew the One I'm holding
could see the smile "HE" smiles at me,
If you knew where I am resting,
you would not cry for me.

"I know you're confused,
about my leaving you so soon,
but I'll be with you again,
maybe morning, night or noon,
so I'll save a place for you,
right beside the Crystal Sea,
If you knew where my mansions' standing,
you would not cry for me.

I'm resting in the precious arms of JESUS
no other place would I rather be,
so if you shed a tear,
please don't shed it for me,
If you knew where I am resting,
you would not cry for me.

Celebrating The Life Of

Perry Marvin Oster

December 9, 1962 – Carrington, ND

October 4, 2023 – Langdon, ND

VISITATION & VIGIL SERVICE

Monday, October 9, 2023

Visitation ~ 5:00PM – 6:00PM

Vigil Service ~ 6:00PM

St. Alphonsus Church, Langdon, ND

VISITATION, ROSARY & VIGIL SERVICE

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Visitation ~ 1:00PM - 7:00PM

Rosary ~ 6:45PM

Vigil Service ~ 7:00PM

Evans Funeral Home, Carrington, ND

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Mass of Christian Burial ~ 10:30AM

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Carrington, ND

OFFICIATING

Father Kurtis Gunwall

Father Terry Dodge

SPECIAL MUSIC

Marlene Boyer ~ Organist

Sacred Heart Choir

PALLBEARERS

Ross Feil ~ Doug Ferguson ~ Doug Smith

Doug Davis ~ Doug Schroeder ~ Paul Straley

Mark Fisk ~ Buddy Pretzer

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All of Perry's Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews

BURIAL

Carrington Cemetery, Carrington, ND

Arrangements by
Evans Funeral Home – Carrington & New Rockford, ND
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