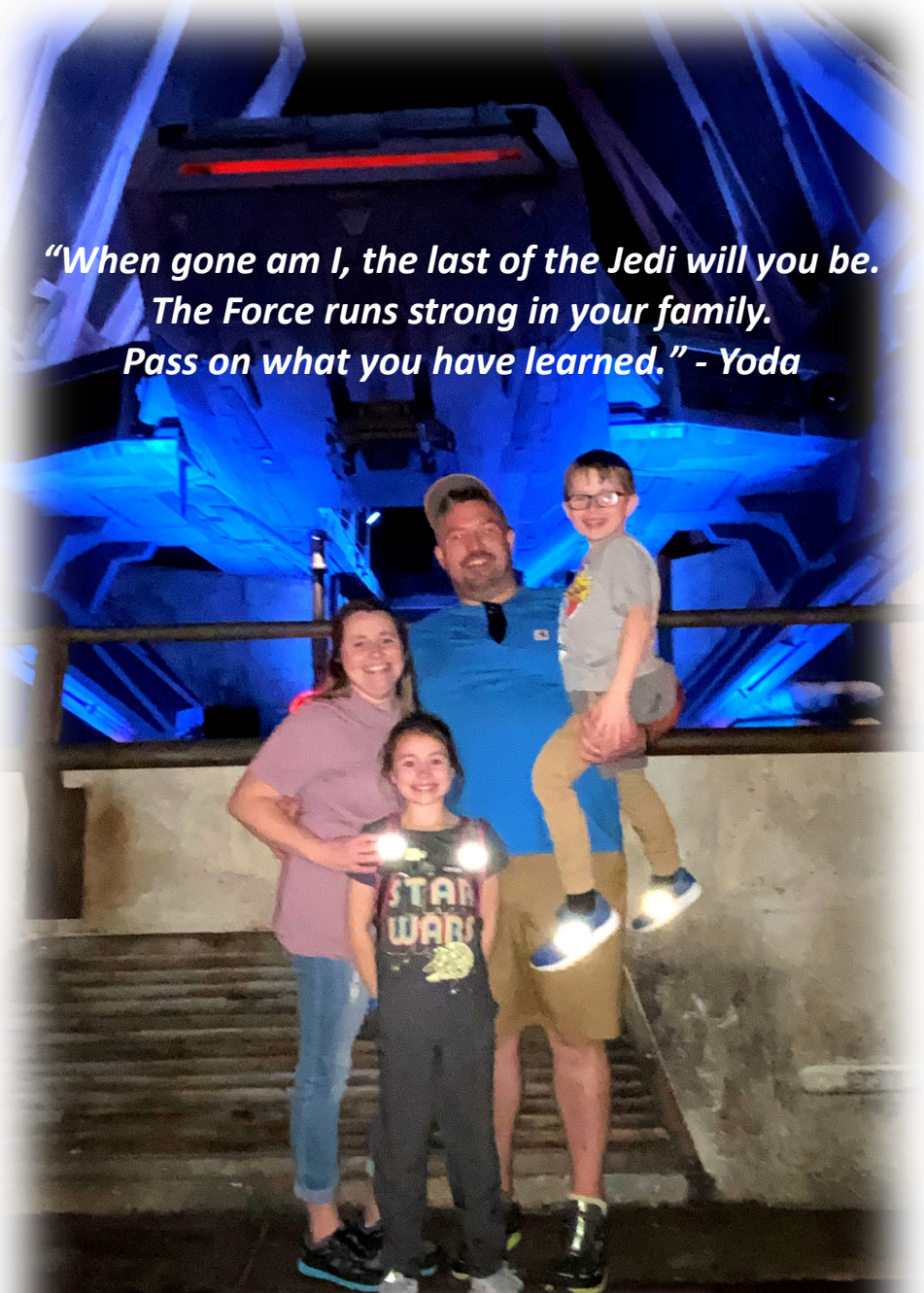
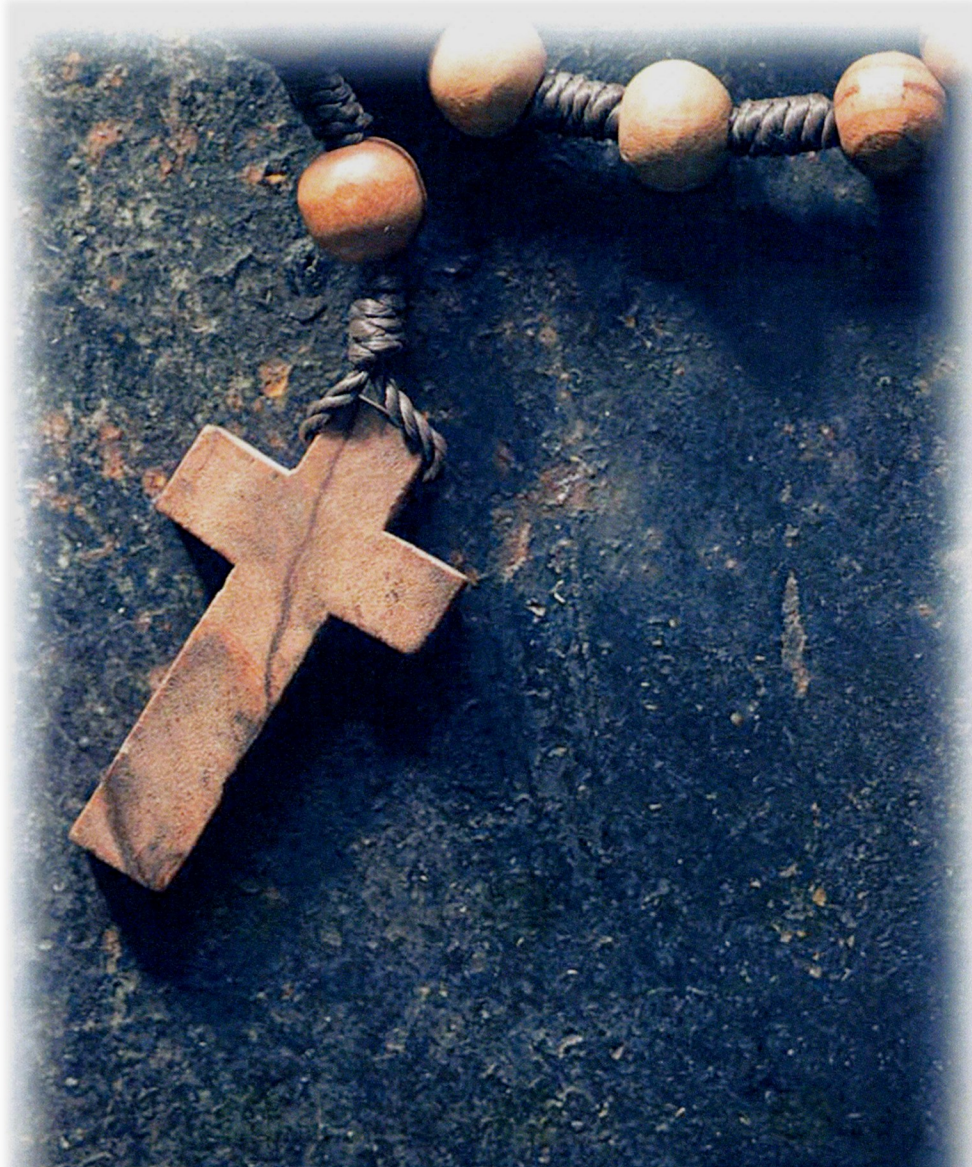




*"When gone am I, the last of the Jedi will you be.
The Force runs strong in your family.
Pass on what you have learned." - Yoda*

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*In Loving Memory -
John Kannegieter
1981-2021*

On September 26, 1981, Curtis & Leone (Hovde) Kannegieter welcomed a baby boy named John Curtis to their family. After big sister Ann quit crying and crawled out from underneath the kitchen table, she decided maybe a brother wouldn't be so bad after all, and they became best buddies from then on.

Baby John was baptized into God's family on 11/26/1981. His childhood was spent playing with Transformers and GI Joes and doing sweet can-openers off the high dive at the Willow Lake pool. Sundays were spent at grandma Sophie's house, engaged in various creative activities with the Kannegieter cousins such as: kill the carrier, Ol' Nelly, "Chop off heads", and setting booby traps for grandma in the basement. In high school, John played drums in the band and sang in the choir, participated in school plays, but his biggest love was football. He loved re-telling his big quarterback sack in the playoff game (I'm sure you've probably heard about it).

John attended SDSU, majoring in history and singing in the Statesmen's choir. One night in his 4th year, he met a girl that looked just like Julia Roberts, he called home to tell his mom he had met the girl he was going to marry.

After graduation, John and Megan took an unforgettable trip to Scotland and then he took his first job teaching history in Pollock, SD; where he lived for 2 years making a big impact in his short time there.

On April 21, 2007, John and Megan were married at First Presbyterian Church in Aberdeen. In August 2010, they welcomed their first child, Hazel Milly, and then Merritt John in 2013.

John loved all things Star Wars, traveling (especially to the Black Hills), outdoors, and history. He liked tinkering with his dad on his '66 Chevy Impala and then "giving it the groceries". His talents included cooking and baking for his family and friends, he could quote the appropriate movie line for every occasion, impersonate anybody, was a master at karaoke, but most of all, he could make anyone laugh at anytime. He was always the funniest guy in the room.

John worked in several different occupations while he lived in Aberdeen, but that was never the main focus of his life. Faith and family were his main focus. Throughout his journeys John had several profound encounters with God that cemented his deep faith and relationship with Jesus Christ. He liked to have deep conversations about important topics. John's family loved camping and bowling with him and solving the elaborate scavenger hunts he made up, narrated in a British accent, of course. He was also great at pushing Leone's buttons.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife Megan and their kids, Hazel and Merritt; his mother, Leone; sister Ann (Daron) Larson and kids Mitchell, Kate, Eliza, and Lauren; father and mother in law, Paul and Peggy Pettit; brother in law Brooks (Tammy) Pettit and kids Delaney and Haley; and his beloved Kannegieter cousin crew.

He was preceded in death by his father, Curtis and his paternal and maternal grandparents.

Celebrating the Life of John Kannegieter



Mass of Christian Burial

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Aberdeen, South Dakota
Wednesday, November 24, 2021 - 2 PM

Celebrants

The Reverend Andrew Dickinson
The Reverend Richard Baumberger

Rosary

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
DeSmet, South Dakota
Tuesday, November 23, 2021 - 4:30 PM

Music

Organist—Marcela Faflak
Cantor—Heather Duncan
Joined by Members of the Roncalli 6th Grade

Honorary Pallbearers

The Kannegieter Cousin Crew
And John's Close Friends

Interment at a Later Date

St. James Catholic Cemetery
Willow Lake, South Dakota



*Following the service, please join the family for dinner
& a time of fellowship in the church Parish Hall.*

*The family of John Kannegieter thanks you for your presence here today,
for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them.*