



Rev. Franklynn Bonn Sanders, Jr.

March 8, 1949 - February 17, 2012

Pastor of Spirit of Life Bible Church. Age 62 of Woodbury, MN. Formerly of Oakdale, MN. Loving husband, father and grandfather. After a heroic fight, Frank passed away from pancreatic cancer, on Friday, Feb. 17, 2012 at home surrounded by his wife and kids. Preceded in death by father, Franklynn, Sr., mother, Cecilia and infant son. Survived by wife, Kathy, children, Timothy (Tricia), Jennifer (James) Mains and Jeremy (Lana); grandchildren, Owen and Declynn Sanders, Haley, Ayden, Charlie and Benjamin Mains, Jacob, Brennen, Caleb and Keegan Sanders; brother, Allen (Nancy) Olsen; sisters, Lillian (Gary) Weisbrod, Bonnie Weisbrod and Rebecca (James) Payzant; many nieces, nephews and countless friends, family and the church family of Spirit of Life Bible Church. Former hockey standout and North St. Paul High School Distinguished Alumni, University of MN Gopher, Minnesota Fighting Saint and US Olympian hockey player. Pastor of Spirit of Life Bible Church, Woodbury, MN. Retired Service Manager, AmeriPride Services. Visitation Friday (Feb. 24, 2012) from 4-8 PM at Spirit of Life Bible Church, 690 Commerce Drive, Woodbury. Funeral Saturday Feb. 25, 2012 at 10:00 AM (Visitation from 9-10 AM) at APOSTOLIC BIBLE INSTITUTE, 6944 Hudson Road, Oakdale. Interment Forest Lawn Cemetery. We greatly appreciate the love and care Frank received from Dr. Quevedo, Mayo Clinic; Mark and Chris, Woodwinds Cancer Center and Jill from HealthEast Hospice. Thank You!

Tribute Wall

EU

“ Our prayers are with all of the family for comfort in the homegoing of cousin Frankie. 2 Corinthians 5:8 "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the LORD."

Ed and Mary Underwood - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Our deepest sympathies to the family. Joe worked with Frank for over thirty years at Ameripride and will always be grateful for his support and understanding.

Frank was an inspiring example to everyone who knew him. May he go with God.

Joe & Judi Jackson - February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ *Kathy, Jen and Family:*

Please know that your entire family is in my prayers and thoughts. I know you have gone through a terribly painful struggle watching Frank suffer from cancer. It was so nice to get your regular Caring Bridge updates Jen. You are a great writer and a wonderful communicator. I know Frank is now with his Heavenly Father, where we will one day all be. Thank you for sharing yourselves with so many of us who knew Frank from many years ago. What a powerful faith your family shares in loving the Lord and in believing He is our only great hope for true happiness. You have certainly touched my life!

Love and Blessings from-

*Sherry Erickson
1967 Classmate from North High*

Sherry Erickson - February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *We send our condolences. You are continually in our prayers as you have been all along. Pastor has made a huge difference in our lives & we will be eternally grateful for him, and you, his family. We loved him VERY much in life & will in death. Our love & prayers are with you all.*

*Love,
Elizabeth, Kevin & family*

Kevin/Elizabeth Moss - February 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ God bless and comfort your precious family as you grieve the loss of your husband, father, brother and friend. Our love and prayers are with you.

Larry and Carol Paul

Carol Paul - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ We will greatly miss this man of God. He was a true friend and wonderful Saint. Though time has seperated us we remember his love for God and his gentle spirit.
Our prayers are with the family and his church family.
God bless and keep you all.

Pastor Ward & kay Jones

Ward & Kay Jones - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ I did not know Frank, but I remember him playing for U of M and Team USA, and saw him many times with the Minnesota Fighting Saints. Am very sorry to hear the news. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Anonymous - February 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ *Kathy, Jenn, Tim and Jeremy*

Even with Frank's passing expected for some time, news of it was received with surprise. I always thought he would somehow beat the disease.

45 years ago, Frank and I shared the hockey rink together at North High. He was a good teammate, and one that helped us younger guys whenever he could. I lived just across Hudson Road so most nights Frank would give me a lift home after practice. I was very appreciative.

Thank you, Jenn, for your inspirational Caring Bridge entries. Those, along with the book, allowed me to feel once again close to one of the nicest guys I've ever known.

God bless you all.

Keith Ebert - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *Dearest Kathy and family,*

We are so sorry for your loss. Frank will always hold a special place in our hearts. A wonderful man. Our thoughts are with you at this time. Love and peace to all.

Patsy and Charlie Reed

Patsy Klimek Reed - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Bill and I send our condolences to Frank B.Sanders wife Kathy and family members4 along with his sibilings May God give you all added strenght and peace in your heart knowing he is waiting for you all on the other side*

*With our love,
Bill and Sharon Cass*

Sharon Cass - February 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM