

In Loving Memory of

John J. North

July 24, 1987 - July 10, 2025

Celebration of Life

4:00 PM

Monday, July 21, 2025

Sinn Family Celebration of Life Center

Trimont, Minnesota

Officiant

Pastor Stephanie Christoffels

Music

Rescue

Recorded, Lauren Daigle

Landlocked - Bright Eyes

Solo, Jacob Fuller

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Recorded, Chris Tomlin

Heaven Was Needing A Hero

Recorded, Jo Dee Messina

Urn Bearers

MaKenna Hendrickson Jaxon Hendrickson

Raegan Olson Carter McCourt

Miles McCourt Henry McCourt

Honorary Bearers

Caroline McCourt Preston McCourt

Sheldon Olson Ryan

Terry Jacob

Zach Bradie

All of John's Brothers and Sisters In Arms

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Soldier's Creed

I am an American Soldier.

I am a warrior and a member of a team.

I serve the people of the United States,

and live the Army Values.

I will always place the mission first.

I will never accept defeat.

I will never quit.

I will never leave a fallen comrade.

I am disciplined, physically and mentally tough,
trained and proficient in my warrior tasks and drills.

I always maintain my arms, my equipment and myself.

I am an expert and I am a professional.

I stand ready to deploy, engage, and destroy, the enemies
of the United States of America in close combat.

I am a guardian of freedom

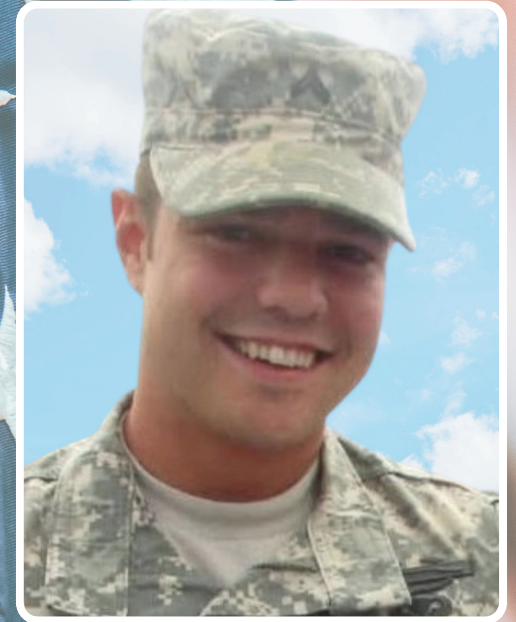
and the American way of life.

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Thank You

The love you've shown in remembering John has meant more to us than words can fully express. Please accept this as our heartfelt thank you from all of us who loved him dearly.



Honoring the Life of

John J. North

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The North family is incredibly devastated by the sudden and unexpected loss of John “JJ” North, age 37, of Sherburn. We appreciate your support as we grieve this tremendous loss.

John “JJ” North was born on July 24, 1987, to Les and Marlene (Banks) North in Landstuhl, Germany near Ramstein Air Base. Growing up as an Air Force brat, John lived all across the United States, spending time in places like Lubbock, Texas; K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base near Marquette, Michigan; and Eveleth, Minnesota, before his family eventually settled in Sherburn, Minnesota, in 2001. He graduated from Martin County West High School with the Class of 2006. During his school years, John was active in football and basketball, but he was most at home on the water - spending every spare moment wakeboarding with friends on Fox Lake.

After high school, John answered the call to serve his country by joining the U.S. Army. He went on to serve with honor and distinction for over 19 years, with the majority of his time served in the National Guard. His military career took him on deployments to Afghanistan, Kuwait, Djibouti, and Kenya. John received numerous awards for his exemplary service, including the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and was recognized as Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) of the Year in 2019 - a testament to his leadership, commitment, and character. John was the kind of soldier and friend who left a lasting impression on everyone he met - an inspiring leader, a generous mentor, and a loyal teammate whose impact will never be forgotten.

One summer, while working at Sunset Lodge on Oak Island, John met the love of his life, Kristie (Olson) North. The two were united in marriage on November 7, 2011, and together they were blessed with two children, Oakley and Aven. John and Kristie made their home in Duluth for eight years before relocating to Sherburn in 2019. John trained as a Civil Engineering Technician and went on to work as a Building Materials Tester for Braun Intertec, where his strong work ethic and attention to detail left a lasting impact.

John was a devoted father who found great joy in cheering on his kids at their games and activities, supporting them with pride and love whenever he could. His warm presence, quick wit, deep loyalty, and unwavering love for his family and country will be remembered always and missed beyond measure.

John will forever be remembered by his loving wife, **Kristie**; children, **Oakley** and **Aven** North; parents, **Les** and **Marlene** North; sister, **Caroline (Preston)** McCourt; mother-in-law and father-in-law, **Julie** and **Randy** Wahlstrom; brother-in-law, **Sheldon** Olson; nieces and nephews, **MaKenna** and **Jaxon** Hendrickson, **Raegan** Olson, **Carter**, **Miles**, and **Henry** McCourt; and many other relatives and friends.

John was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Bruce Olson; paternal grandparents, John and Frances North; maternal grandmother, Rachel Banks; maternal step-grandmother, Joanne Banks; and sister-in-law, Katie Olson.



If you would like to leave a message of sympathy for John’s family or view his service and tribute video you can do so by following this QR code or visiting his obituary page at www.sinnfuneralhome.com



Order of Service

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Greeting

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Processional Song

Rescue, Recorded Lauren Daigle

Prayer

Eulogy

Caroline McCourt

CSM Schieber

Les North

Special Music

Land Locked Blues

Sung by Jacob Fuller

Readings

Psalm 91:9-12

Revelation 21:1-4

Message

Pastor Stephanie Christoffels

Song

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Recorded, Chris Tomlin

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Blessing

Recessional Song

Heaven Was Needing A Hero

Recorded, Jo Dee Messina

Military Honors

Outside by flagpole

Reception

Taco Bar, in honor of John's

love for Mexican food