

*A Service of  
Thanksgiving and Celebration  
For the Life of*

## **Theodore “Ted” Bekkerus**



**Tuesday, November 22, 2016  
2:00 p.m.**

Oak Knoll Lutheran Church  
600 Hopkins Crossroad  
Minnetonka, MN 55305

Theodore "Ted" Bekkerus was born in Fargo, ND. He grew up with his parents as an only child in Moorhead, MN. They moved around the United States periodically due to his father's job as a professional scouter. As a child, he enjoyed playing outside and playing with toy trucks.

He got married and moved to Minneapolis with Judy. Together they had three children, Bonnie, Brenda, and Beth. They lived in Hopkins, MN for many years. The family enjoyed being outside, sledding, and family vacations to the lake. He worked as a warehouseman. He retired in 2005 after experiencing a heart attack. Shortly after retiring, he moved back to Moorhead, MN to help take care of his mother, Jane. He lived in Moorhead, MN until April 2016 until he came ill. He then moved back down the Twin Cities to be closer to his family.

A few things Ted really appreciated were automobiles, good music especially classic rock, movies, and sweets (flavored Tootsie Rolls and Mentos). He also liked reading and studying devotionals. He would also write in journals. He loved spending time with his family, namely family gatherings, driving the grandkids around on the Gator, going to the movies with his grandkids and sneaking in candy, driving the go-cart, feeding and watching the horses on the farm, and enjoyed sitting on the patio and bonfires.



*We have gathered to worship the God who has loved Ted with a never ending love in this life and who now dwells with God in life after life. Today we celebrate his life and hope for a sure and certain new life with God in heaven.*

## **Theodore William Bekkerus**

March 12, 1939 ~ November 17, 2016

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| <b>Prelude Music</b> .....  | The Ristrom Family    |
| <b>Gathering</b> .....  | red book page 279     |
| <b>Thanksgiving for Baptism</b> .....                             | red book page 280     |
| <b>Processional Hymn</b> “ <i>How Great Thou Art</i> ” .....      | ELW 856               |
| <b>Greeting &amp; Prayer</b>                                      |                       |
| <b>Remembrances:</b> .....  | Tasha Klesk           |
| <b>Scripture Lessons:</b> Psalm 46:1-7 & Romans 8:31-39           |                       |
| <b>Gospel Reading:</b> John 14:1-7                                |                       |
| <b>Meditation</b> .....   | Pastor Michele Abbott |
| Solo “ <i>Old Rugged Cross</i> ”                                  |                       |
| <b>Apostles Creed</b> .....                                       | red book page 282     |
| The Prayers   |                       |
| The Lord’s Prayer   |                       |
| <b>Commendation</b>   |                       |
| <b>Benediction</b>  |                       |
| <b>Sending Hymn</b> “ <i>Just a Closer Walk with Thee</i> ” ..... | ELW 697               |

*The family would be pleased if you would join them in Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the service.*

Pastor

Michele Abbott

Musicians

Dan Ristrom

Diane Ristrom

Reuben Ristrom