

Albert David “Dave” Fry, 90, of St. Onge, passed away on April 16, 2022, at Fort Meade VA Hospice Care. He was the widower of Betty Jean (Kinney) Fry. They shared 52 years of marriage together.

Born in Decatur County, Iowa, he was the son of Albert Francis & Iva Mae (Collins) Fry. Dave served in the Army and was honorably discharged. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal along with a Good Conduct Medal. Through the GI Bill, he was able to attend Barber College in Des Moines, Iowa, and graduated in 1957. He returned home to South Dakota where he would open a shop in Central City. As his family grew, he went to work at Homestake Gold Mine, he enjoyed mining with his mining partner, Edgar Wiedenmeyer (they stayed lifelong friends) before going to work for the Lawrence County Highway Department. When he retired on April 15, 1997, he was the Hwy Foreman.

He was a member of the Terraville United Methodist Church and knew Jesus as his Lord and Savior. Some of Dave’s favorite past times included, running the Ice-Skating Rink with his beloved wife Betty in Black Tail, SD, camping/fishing at Orman Damn while his daughters were younger, supporting his grandchildren & great-grandchildren in many sporting/school activities, and taking his grandchildren fishing & hunting. You could find Dave sticking nickels in the slots in Deadwood and, in his later years, watching the Colorado Rockies. Go Rockies! He will be remembered as the loving, hardworking father, father-in-law, grandpa & great grandpa he was.

Survivors include his daughters, Teri (Calvin) Pawlowski of Rapid City, SD, Diana (Clyde) Dietrich of Sturgis, SD, and Cindy (Ivan) Bierema of St. Onge, SD; grandchildren, Chris Smith, Rapid City, SD, Jaelyn Smith, of Chadron, NE, Andrea (Derek) Shoun, of Sturgis, SD, Jessy (Stacie) Dietrich, of Spearfish, SD, Racheal Smith, of Independence, OR, Myles Bierema, of Pierre, SD, Brooks Bierema (Kayla Trudo), of Belle Fourche, SD, Baylee (Jared) Wolf, of Belle Fourche, SD. Dave was also blessed with 10 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by parents, Albert Francis & Iva Mae Fry of Liberty, Clarke County, Iowa; wife, Betty Jean Fry of Deadwood, SD; son, David “Davey” Bradley Fry of Terraville, and his sisters, Viola Wright of Woodburn, Iowa, and Mildred Jones of California, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Ft. Meade VA hospice care. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com). Or feel free to write it down on one of the note cards.

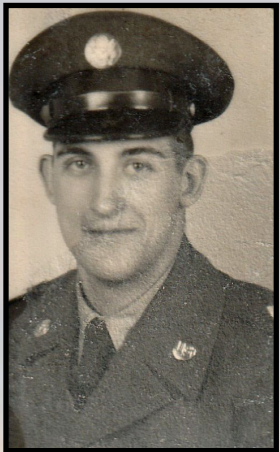
Words of wisdom from Dave on his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday to his family were to always use Vick’s, drink milk, and drink cold water.

*The family invites you to join them for a time of fellowship and a meal at Sturgis United Methodist Church, following the burial. Thank you for your presence and condolences.*

## *In Loving Memory Of*



***Albert David Fry, Jr.***  
***April 2, 1932 ~ April 16, 2022***



*Count your age by friends,  
Not years.  
Count your life by smiles,  
Not tears.*  
-John Lennon



## *In Loving Memory Of Albert David Fry, Jr.*

### ***Born***

April 2, 1932  
Osceola, Iowa

### ***Died***

April 16, 2022  
Fort Meade, South Dakota

### ***Funeral Service***

Thursday, April 21, 2022, 1:00 p.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Officiant***

Pastor Justin Schefcik

### ***Music***

"I Can Only Imagine"  
"The Old Rugged Cross"

### ***Musicians***

Pianist: Bethany Hill  
Soloist: Nicole Casavan

### ***Pallbearers***

Chris Smith   Jessy Dietrich   Brooks Bierema  
Austin Shoun   Kade Smith   Kyle Smith

### ***Honorary Pallbearers***

Zachary Shoun   Ethan Dietrich   Myles Bierema  
Ridge Bierema   Derek Shoun   Jared Wolf

### ***Heavenly Pallbearer***

David Bradley "Davey" Fry

### ***Military Honors***

Sturgis Veterans Honor Guard

### ***Final Resting Place***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota