



## Wayne Otto Erickson

Wayne Otto Erickson was born September 23, 1959, in Hot Springs, SD, to Lauren and Minnie (Boeken) Erickson. Throughout his life, he held many positions and it didn't matter what the job entailed, he gave 100% and did it with pride. He served in the U S Air Force from 1977 until his honorable discharge in 1981. He worked at a sawmill, washed dishes in a restaurant, rang the bell for the

Salvation Army, was at the information desk at a city office, and was a dispatcher at a bus station.

Wayne loved life and would give whatever he had to help someone out. Football was the highlight of his TV. He also listened along with Gunsmoke, The Virginian, Bonanza, and Little House on the Prairie. He also enjoyed listening to the news.

Wayne, 57, Rapid City, died Sunday, August 27, 2017, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Fort Meade.

He is survived by his wife, Annie Lou Erickson of Rapid City; his mother, Minnie Wood of Capitan, NM; daughters, Christy (Tom) Anderson of Rapid City, Melissa Sisk of Rapid City, and Ann Icenogle, soon to be Eutsler (Craig) of Glenrock, WY; grandson, Paul Wolfe; granddaughters, Faith and Rebekah Icenogle and Savannah Eutsler; his siblings, LaVonne (Marvin) Wolf, New Mexico, Barb (Les) Scarbrough, Texas, LeRoy (Shelly) Erickson, Wyoming, Carlos (Anne) Erickson, South Dakota, and Charlotte Bason, New Mexico; and Wayne's dog, Malaika.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lauren "Bumps" Erickson; and sister-in-law, Debbie Erickson.

A memorial has been established for "Leader Dogs" for the blind.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).

## *In Loving Memory Of*



***Wayne Otto Erickson***

***1959 ~ 2017***

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch at the Sturgis Vet's Club following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



***"Where Have You Gone"***

*Where have you gone,  
I feel your breath  
in the summer wind,  
I know when I meet  
you once again the laughter,  
and familiar voice  
will break a painful silence,  
Where have you gone,  
I feel you in my heart and  
hear you with every  
decision about to be made,  
Where have you gone,  
I feel you in the  
deepest part of my soul,  
I feel you with every  
beat of my heart,  
Where have you gone?*

*by Melissa Dawn Harper*

***In Loving Memory Of***

***Wayne Otto Erickson***

***Born***

September 23, 1959  
Hot Springs, South Dakota

***Died***

August 27, 2017  
Fort Meade, South Dakota

***Funeral Service***

Friday, September 8, 2017, at 10:30 a.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Officiant***

Pastor Sean McPherson

***Special Music***

"I Can Only Imagine"  
"Home"

***Pallbearers***

LeRoy Erickson ~ Carlos Erickson ~ Rick Corcoran  
Tom Anderson ~ Paul Wolfe ~ Craig Eutsler

***Military Honors***

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

***Interment***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota