



Edward L. "Eddie" Klein

Edward L. "Eddie" Klein was born on the family farm November 27, 1940, near Newell, SD, to Joseph and Lena (Werlinger) Klein. He graduated from Newell High School. Eddie was drafted and served in the US Army from 1963 until his honorable discharge in 1965. He returned to Newell where he worked at a local filling station.

Eddie married Virginia Castonguay in Spearfish on January 29, 1966. He worked as a Delivery Milkman for Brown Swiss Dairy. They moved to Sturgis and Eddie continued the milk route. Eddie worked as the manager of the Sturgis Vet's Club. He worked at Jacobsen Ford from 1976 until 1990. Later, Eddie worked at the Meade County Courthouse in the maintenance and custodial department. He retired in 2003.



He was a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church and was an Honorary 4th Degree, Columban Council 6341 Knights of Columbus. Eddie was also a member of the Fount of Misinformation coffee club at McDonalds.

Eddie, 70, Sturgis, died Sunday, July 3, 2011, at Sturgis Regional Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Klein, Sturgis; four sons, Jerome (Ann) Klein, Gillette, WY, Philip (Lurlene) Klein, Sioux Falls, SD, Eugene (Amy) Klein, Parker, CO, and Patrick (Crystal) Klein, Sioux Falls; three brothers, Mike Klein, Vancouver, WA, Allen Klein, Temple, OK, and Casmier (Rose) Klein, Bismarck, ND; three sisters, Cecelia Keller, Spearfish, Mary (John) Erk, Newell, and Regina McCoy, Browerville, MN; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Valentine and Andy.

A memorial has been established to the restoration of the St. Martin's Chapel in Sturgis.



In Loving Memory Of



Eddie Klein

1940 ~ 2011

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch
in the parish hall following the interment service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



He'll Always Be Remembered

*He'll always be remembered
As a man, both strong and good,
Who gave his best for others
And who did the best he could.
He'll always be remembered
For all the joy he brought,
As a man who made a difference
And a man who meant a lot.*



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Born

November 27, 1940
Newell, SD

Died

July 3, 2011
Sturgis, SD

Vigil

Thursday, July 7, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Mass of Christian Burial

Friday, July 8, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Celebrant

Father Arnold Kari

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Ray Klein

Organist ~ Dr. Barry Furze

Soloist ~ Myron Volk

Musical Selections

"I Am The Bread Of Life"

"On Eagle's Wings"

"Amazing Grace"

"Beer Barrel Polka"

Pallbearers

Patrick Klein ~ Philip Klein
Eugene Klein ~ Jerome Klein

Honorary Pallbearers

Ethan ~ Erin ~ Cassie
Kade ~ Colin ~ Nolan

Military Honors

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery