



William R. McDonagh

William R. McDonagh was born August 2, 1930, in Miles City, MT to James and Violet (Reiley) McDonagh.

William worked with his father on the family farm and was also a fireman for the railroad in Miles City, MT.

He served in the US Army from 1951 to 1953. Discharged in 1953, and worked with his dad and older brother until July of 1956, when he enlisted in the US Air Force. After

his discharge, he worked at Hill Air Force Base in cable maintenance as a civilian from June 1963, until January 1987.

In January of 1961 he married Irene (Cluff). They were married until her passing in January 1994. On September 29, 1995, he married Mary Madell (Schuster) and they were married until the time of his death.

William, 83, Sturgis, died May 25, 2014, at Sturgis Regional Hospital after a lengthy illness.

William is survived by his wife, Mary Madell; sisters, Alice (Gary) Parks, Sioux Falls, SD; brothers, Peter McDonagh, Miles City, MT, John (Donna) McDonagh, Puyallup, WA, Owen (Nancy) McDonagh, Minneapolis, MN; 14 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Violet; one son, Andy Anderson; sisters, Eunice Ganteaume, Elenor Klar, Therese Weber; brothers, James and Charles McDonagh; and one grandson, Mark Piekkola.

A memorial has been established to St. Martins Restoration Fund.

Condolences may be sent to the family at kinkadefunerals.com.

Brendan Parks is here today to represent the McDonagh clan, past and present for Uncle Bill. May he rest in peace until we meet again.

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the church hall following the committal service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



*Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
Where there is injury, pardon,
Where there is doubt, faith,
Where there is despair, hope,
Where there is darkness, light,
and where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not
so much seek to be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive-
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are
born to Eternal Life.*



*When I must leave you for a little while,
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears,
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile:
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

In Loving Memory Of

William R. McDonagh

Born

August 2, 1930
Miles City, Montana

Died

May 25, 2014
Sturgis, South Dakota

Vigil

Sunday, June 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Mass Of Christian Burial

Monday, June 2, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.
St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Celebrant

Father Arnold Kari

Organist

Barry Furze

Soloist

Mary Ann Rasmussen

Musical Selections

"Ave Maria" ~ "Be Not Afraid"
"On Eagle's Wings" ~ "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling"

Pallbearers

Michael Anderson ~ Daniel Anderson ~ Rodney Schaub
Raedon Anderson ~ John McDonagh ~ Brendan Parks

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota