



Paul Leo Fischer

Paul Leo "Papa" Fischer was born February 28, 1952, at McLaughlin, SD, to Theophil Antone and MaryAnn (Day) Fischer.

While serving in the US Army, Paul received the following decorations; sharpshooter with the M16, expert .45 caliber pistol, Good Conduct Medal (3), National Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon,

NCO Professional Development Ribbon.

He married Robyn Schleuning on March 31, 1973, at Sturgis. They truly were best friends.

Following his honorable discharge he attended vocational school and earned a degree in cabinet making.

Paul was diagnosed in 1985 with Hairy Cell Leukemia and was diagnosed in 2008 with Pulmonary Hypertension.

Paul, 60, Sturgis, died Monday, April 23, 2012, at the Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include his wife of 39 years, Robyn Fischer, Sturgis; three sons, David (Shawn) Fischer, Sturgis, Tim (Keri) Fischer, Sturgis, and Eric (Christina) Fischer, Sturgis; one daughter, Louise (PJ) Leopold, Camp Lejeune, NC; 16 grandchildren, Parker, Cayden, Dominic, Bethany, Jace, Sierra, Dawson, Steven, Lily, Reace, Patrick, Zoey, Hunter, Adalynn, Isabelle, and Connor; sister, Charlotte Thompson, Boise City, OK; and brothers, Jerry Fischer, Rapid City, SD, and Bernard Fischer, Phoenix, AZ.

He was preceded in death by his parents; mother and father-in-law, Fritz and Madge Schleuning; sister-in-laws, Betty Schleuning and Adele Fischer; nephew, Tony Schleuning; and a grandson, Mason.

His grandchildren were his pride and joy. The family requests casual attire for the services.

A memorial has been established to benefit Sturgis youth athletics.

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



In Loving Memory Of



Paul Fischer

1952 ~ 2012

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



The Legacy

*When I die, give what is left of me to children.
If you need to cry, cry for your brothers
walking beside you.
Put your arms around anyone and give them
what you need to give to me.
I want to leave you with something,
something better than words or wounds.
Look for me in the people I have known and loved.
And if you cannot live without me,
Then let me live on in your eyes, your mind,
and your acts of kindness.
You can love me most by letting hands touch hands
And letting go of children that need to be free.
Love does not die, people do.
So when all that is left of me is love...
Give me away...*



In Loving Memory Of

Paul Leo Fischer ***"Grandpa" & "Papa"***

Born

February 28, 1952
McLaughlin, South Dakota

Died

April 23, 2012
Rapid City, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial

Monday, April 30, 2012, at 1:00 p.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Celebrant

Father Arnold Kari

Organist

Dr. Barry Furze

Soloist

Myron Volk

Musical Selections

"How Great Thou Art"
"Amazing Grace"

Pallbearers

JT Fischer ~ Josh Fischer ~ Bobby Thompson
James Thompson ~ Todd Fischer ~ Tony Fischer
Ira Fischer ~ Joey Fischer

Military Honors

Sturgis Veterans Honor Guard

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery