

Bruce Swartz, 67, died on December 28, at home after a long-fought battle with cancer. Bruce was born on December 29, 1954, to Jerome and Virginia Swartz in Winner, SD.

He is survived by his longtime partner, Terri Porubensky; and two sons, Luke (Wendy) Swartz and Jacob Swartz, Jordan (Kallie) all of Rapid City; Ryan (Rachael) Midland, TX, and Aaron of Vancouver, WA. Bruce also leaves behind one brother, Terry Swartz (Kathy); sister-in-law, Judy Swartz; and six grandchildren, Harper and Kinsley Swartz, Bridger and Haven Swartz, Kendall Wittenberg and Jasmine (Austin) Franke; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Bruce grew up in Ideal/Winner, South Dakota, and then attended Northern State University until he married in 1978. After moving to Rapid City, he was trained to be a piano technician which he embraced and did until just recently. If you own a piano in the Rapid City area, chances are that he probably tuned it!

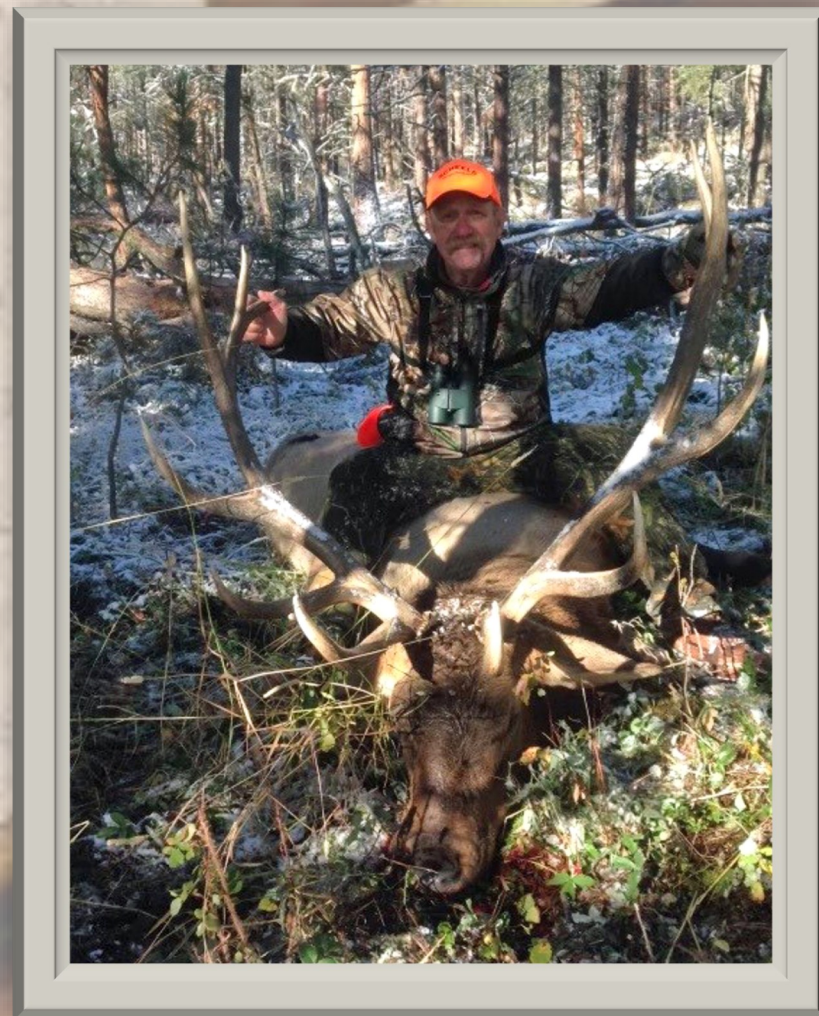
While his boys were growing up, Bruce was very involved in all their sporting events. He coached both boys in baseball, basketball and soccer and was their strongest cheerleader when they both swam competitively. When the grandchildren came along, he cherished every minute he could spend with them. The kids are always asking, "When is Papa Bruce taking us fishing?" Bruce also loved dogs! He always had a lab or two!

Bruce and Terri were known for their grilling parties as well as Super Bowl parties. They had a beautiful yard, and many fun times were had playing various yard games while Bruce grilled for anyone who stopped by. He loved entertaining and everyone enjoyed his sense of humor and quick wit.

Bruce was preceded in death by his parents, Jerome and Virginia Swartz; and a brother, Frank Swartz.

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

*The family would like to invite you to join them for fellowship and lunch following the service at the church hall.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



***In Loving Memory Of
Bruce Kevin Swartz***

December 29, 1954

December 28, 2022



*Whatever our hands touch
we leave fingerprints!*

*On walls, on furniture,
on doorknobs, dishes, books,
as we touch we leave our identity.*

*Oh please, wherever I go today,
“Help me leave heart prints!”*

*Heart prints of compassion,
of understanding and Love.*

*Heart prints of kindness
and genuine concern.*

*May my heart touch
a lonely neighbor or
an anxious mother, or,
perhaps, a dear friend!*

*I shall go out today to leave heart prints,
and if someone should say,*

*“I felt your touch,”
may that one sense be....*

*your LOVE touching
through me.....*



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Born

December 29, 1954
Winner, South Dakota

Died

December 28, 2022
Rapid City, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Wednesday, January 4, 2023, 11:00 a.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church
Rapid City, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Wilbur Holz

Musicians

Pianist: Joe Ronnke
Soloist: Colby Anderson

Musical Selections

“The Way it is” “Amazing Grace”
“How Great Thou Art” “Piano Man”

Honorary Pallbearers

Jeff Swartz Travis Swartz Terren Swartz
Logan Swartz Easton Swartz Barry Elder

Final Resting Place

At a Later date