

Harry James Alloway, Rapid City, SD, passed away Thursday, February 16, 2023 at Monument Health Rapid City Hospital after a lengthy and courageous battle with Mesothelioma. He was born on March 1, 1945 in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. After high school Harry joined the United States Air Force. He was a proud veteran of the Vietnam War. While stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota he was an aircraft mechanic. Cruising 8th Street he met the love of his life, Colleen Janet Reishus. They were married on October 30, 1965. Harry learned upholstery skills working for Pat & Jean Colvin. Those skills enabled him to open his own business, Harry's Upholstery. Operating in multiple locations around town, Harry's Upholstery became a mainstay in the gap for coffee, gossip, stories and jokes for 55 years. After 19 years of marriage Harry and Colleen welcomed their son Franklin Ralph on December 10, 1983. Frank gave Harry so much love and joy. Together they enjoyed boating and Nascar. Harry loved watching Frank racing karts and RC Cars. Each day began with a phone call to Frank. His love of boats and water led Harry and family to spend weekends at Angostura Lake. It soon became their summer home. A lot of great friendships were made, enough to last a lifetime. Semi-retirement meant snow-birding. The motorhome was outgrown and a permanent property was purchased in Apache Junction, AZ. Many wonderful years of laughs and making memories with old and new friends were enjoyed. Harry's pranks were legendary and his laughs contagious. He was an avid Elvis fan. He loved Saturday morning coffee and donuts with the guys, auctions, and rummage sales. Harry is survived by his loving wife Colleen; son Frank (Carissa); sister Clara Gamble; brother-in-law Larry Reishus (JoAnn); nephews: Bill Reishus (Kathy) and John Reishus; niece Jane Reishus; great-nephew Johnathon; and great niece Kristina Reishus (Brian). He was preceded in death by his father Ralph Alloway, three half-brothers, one half-sister, and his beloved dogs: Fred, Suzette, Fudge, and Dobie. We are sincerely grateful to the many friends who have given us support and comfort. A memorial is established to American Cancer Society Hope Lodge, Minneapolis, MN.



Celebrating the Life of *Harry Alloway*



March 1, 1945 - February 16, 2023



Do Not Stand

Do not stand at my grave and weep
 I am not there, I do not sleep
 I am a thousand winds that blow
 I am the diamond's glint of snow.
 I am the sunlight on ripened grain
 I am the autumn's gentle rain
 When you awaken in the morning's hush
 I am the swift, uplifting rush
 Of quiet birds in circled flight
 I am the soft stars that shine at night
 Do not stand at my grave and cry
 I am not there
 I did not die.

In Loving Memory

Harry James Alloway

Born

Thursday, March 1, 1945 in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

Died

Thursday, February 16, 2023 in Rapid City, South Dakota

Age: 77 years, 11 months, and 15 days

Public Visitation

Friday, February 24, 2023 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Osheim & Schmidt Funeral Home in Rapid City, South Dakota

Celebration of Life Funeral Service

Saturday, February 25, 2023 – 1:00 pm

Calvary Lutheran Church in Rapid City, South Dakota

Clergy: Rev. David Piper **Video/Audio Tech:** Kirk Guymon

Music

"The Dance" by Garth Brooks "My Way" by Elvis Presley

"Jealous of Angels" by Donna Taggart

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Put together by the family

Honorary Casketbearers

Andy Duda Kevin Bakke Brian Langley

Al Scovel John Bundy

Active Casketbearers

Bill Reishus John Reishus Johnathon Reishus

Jeremy Cummings Jackie Langley Sara Bakke

Burial and Graveside Service

Saturday, February 25, 2023 – 2:00 pm

Mountain View Cemetery in Rapid City, South Dakota

Full Military Honors Provided by

Rushmore VFW Post #1273

Ellsworth Air Force Base Honor Team

Meal and Fellowship

Saturday, February 25, 2023 – 2:30 pm

Calvary Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Rapid City, South Dakota

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