

## James Allen Wranek

James Allen Wranek, 66, Summerset, died Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at Department of Veteran's Affairs, Ft. Meade.

James Allen Wranek was born on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 1947 to John N. and Mildred (Shanahan) Wranek at Burke, SD. He was the third of four boys and spent his childhood growing up on a farm south of Colome, SD.

He was united in marriage to Mary (Hibbs) on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 1970 at Colome, SD. To this union, three girls were born.

Jim graduated from Colome High School in 1966 and the University of South Dakota at Springfield in 1972. He taught school until June 1979 when he took a full-time job with the South Dakota National Guard. He retired on January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006 as an E9 Sargent Major with 41 years of service.

Jim loved to hunt, fish, and watch his grandkids participate in all activities. Jim took an active part in his grandkids school, basketball, baseball, football, soccer, dance, gymnastics, and choir. His favorite pastimes were watching Dale Earnhardt Jr. with Nascar, the Minnesota Twins and Vikings, and playing cards.

He was a life member of the South Dakota National Guard Enlisted Association, ENGUS, American Legion, and DAV. He was also a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

Jim is survived by his wife Mary of Summerset, SD; daughter Tina Daly (Eric) of Chaska, MN; daughter Cynthia Haase (Kraig) of Hayti, SD; daughter Jacqueline Blaha (Dustin) of Summerset, SD; nine grandkids, Jackson, Taylor, and Madison Daly; Kaleb, Kamron, and Carlie Haase; Alexandria, Keegan, and Jayce Blaha; brother John Wranek of Colome, SD; brother Al Wranek (Mary) of Silver City, NM; brother Dave Wranek (Marcia) of Mitchell, SD; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents John and Mildred Wranek and his grandparents.

A memorial has been established.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com)



HONOR and GLORY

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



### **I'm Free**

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
 I'm following the path God has laid you see.  
 I took His hand when I heard His call  
 I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day  
 To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
 Tasks left undone must stay that way  
 I found the peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void  
 Then fill it with remembered joys - -  
 A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss  
 Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.  
 I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
 My life's been full, I savored much,  
 Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief - -  
 Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
 Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee - -  
 God wanted me now: He set me free.

### *In Loving Memory Of*

## **James "Jim" Allen Wranek**

<b><i>Born</i></b>	<b><i>Died</i></b>
November 8, 1947	May 14, 2014
Burke, South Dakota	Ft. Meade, South Dakota

### ***Vigil***

Monday, May 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.  
 Our Lady Of The Black Hills

***Presider*** ~ Deacon John Osnes

***Musician*** ~ Jane Abernathy

***Cantor*** ~ Brad Blauvelt

### ***Mass Of Christian Burial***

Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.  
 Our Lady Of The Black Hills  
 Piedmont, South Dakota

***Celebrant*** ~ Father Steve Biegler

***Lectors*** ~ Duane Riedlinger and Tom Collins

***Cantor*** ~ Brad Blauvelt

***Musicians*** ~ Marlene Kotab and Lorraine Rieth-Ptacek

### ***Musical Selections***

"Amazing Grace"	"In The Garden"
"I Am The Bread Of Life"	"How Great Thou Art"

### ***Pallbearers***

Gordon Kotab ~ Leonard Kourt ~ Tad Auker  
 Romaine Kocer ~ Jay Schreiber ~ Red Smith

### ***Honorary Pallbearers***

All Grandchildren

### ***Military Honors***

Piedmont Valley American Legion Post 311

### ***Inurnment***

Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.  
 Black Hills National Cemetery