Walter James Kari



Walter was born June 26, 1924, at Bixby, SD, to Peter and Katherine (Sperle) Kari. He graduated from Bison High School.

Walter married Tillie Luvern Rogers on November 14, 1948, at Strool, SD. Their son, Randy, was born December 6, 1949. They ranched northwest of Faith,

SD, for 16 years, then moved into Faith in 1964 so Randy could attend

high school. They owned and operated the Star-Lite motel in Faith for the next 23 years. In 1988, Walter and Luvern retired to Sturgis, SD, where they resided until 2008, when they moved to Spearfish, SD, for health reasons.



Walter loved ranching, hunting and fishing, trapping, and the outdoors. His favorite rifle was the 30-40 Krag.

Walter James Kari, 92, Spearfish, died Thursday, May 11, 2017, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.



Survivors include his son, Randy (Kay) Kari; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild; brothers, John Kari and Raymond Kari; and sisters, Velma Johnson and Kathryn Schlosser.

Walter was preceded in death by his wife in 2016; two sisters; and two brothers.

A memorial has been established to the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospitals.

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





Walter James Kari

1924 ~ 2017



Farewell Prayer

"Thank you Lord for seeing how
Weary I am, and letting me rest.
The pain is gone; the peace is beautiful,
Your love surrounds me.
I have fought the good fight (I think)
and some how now at this stage,
no matter what the outcome,
I feel I have won."
My homily - - 'For everything there is a season.'
"I want my family to move on with
their lives, and realize everything is
for a reason. Have no regrets.
Everybody did everything they could.
I love you all and will still be with you."



In Loving Memory Of

Walter James Kari

Born

June 26, 1924 Bixby, South Dakota

Died

May 11, 2017 Rapid City, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Sturgis, South Dakota

Celebrant

Father John Paul Trask

Accompanist

Dr. Barry Furze

Cantor

Sue Lloyd-Davies

Musical Selections

"On Eagle's Wings" "I Am the Bread of Life" "Amazing Grace" "I Come to the Garden Alone" "How Great Thou Art"

Pallbearers

Trever Black Bonnet ~ Dan Kari

Interment

Bear Butte Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota