



Gerald “Jerry” Clark Rachetto

Gerald “Jerry” C. Rachetto, 78, passed away on January 14, 2024, at Avantara St. Cloud Nursing Home in Rapid City, SD, after battling Alzheimer’s Disease for several years. He was born July 31, 1945, in Detroit, Michigan, the son of Frank and Ruth Rachetto.

Jerry graduated from Deadwood High School in 1963. He attended Western State University in Gunnison, Colorado, graduating with a degree in accounting while competing in ski jumping. This is where he met his wife of 54 years. He attended law school at the University of Denver and graduated in 1970.

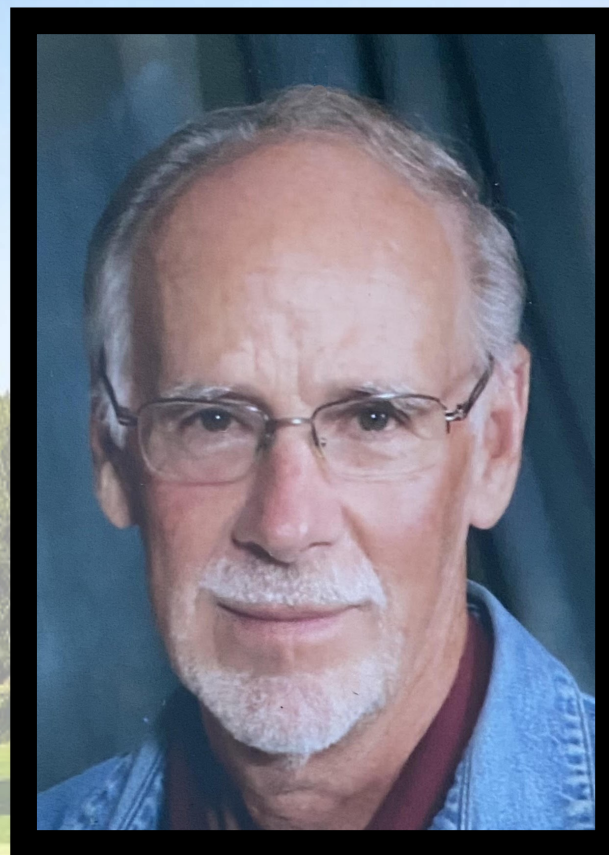
He started his law practice in Deadwood and was privileged to practice in the community for 45 years. He was also involved in helping start the Lead Deadwood High School Golf Team with his wife, and coached golf for over 20 years, including his own children. He started the Junior Recreation Ski Program at Deer Mountain Ski Resort. He loved spending time golfing at Boulder Canyon Country Club with his family and friends. In 2020-2022, despite Jerry’s illness, he became a member at Arrowhead Country Club and played many rounds of golf with his son, Tyler and grandson, Keegan. He also watched his grandson Keegan win numerous SDGA junior golf tournaments. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He was a man strong in his Catholic faith and enjoyed cheering on his favorite NFL football team, the Denver Broncos.

He is survived by his wife: Joan; his children: Trent, Aprille Ostert (Blake), Tyler (Jessica); and his grandkids: Presley, and Easton Ostert, Keegan, and Nolan Rachetto, Tyler (Allison) Perceovich; and great grandson, John.

A memorial was established for First Tee of South Dakota with the South Dakota Golf Association Junior Golf Foundation.

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

Celebration of Life



Gerald “Jerry” C. Rachetto

July 31, 1945 ~ January 14, 2024

Thank you for your presence and condolences.



A Celebration Of Life
Gerald "Jerry" C. Rachetto

Born

July 31, 1945
Detroit, Michigan

Died

January 14, 2024
Rapid City, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial

Friday, January 19, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.
St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Lead, South Dakota

Celebrant

Father Leo Hausmann

Musicians

Lyla Gross Phylis Reller

Special Music

"Shepherd Me, O Lord" "Here I Am, Lord"
"I Am the Bread Of Life" "Song Of Farewell"
"On Eagle's Wings"

Pallbearers

Brad Cummings Jeremy McKay Bruce Rath
Blake Ostert Judge Tim Johns Tom Carr

Honorary Pallbearers

Grandsons: Presley Ostert Easton Ostert Keegan Rachetto
Nolan Rachetto Tyler Percevic

Final Resting Place

Oakridge Cemetery
Deadwood, South Dakota

