



Charles "Chad" Kenneth Plambeck

Chad was born on January 3, 1922, near Box Elder to Ernest and Edna (Powers) Plambeck. His boyhood and schooling was in that area. He moved with his mother and siblings to Idaho at the age of fifteen or sixteen. (His father died when he was only ten.) They lived in Idaho a very short time but moved back to South Dakota after his mother passed in 1938.

He worked in the Civilian Conservation Corp from about seventeen until he joined the US Navy after turning eighteen. He served his country during WW II as a sailor in the Pacific mainly on "an old Dutch troop transport" ship until his honorable discharge.

Chad, married Vivian "Butch" Blanche Ulrich August 31, 1946, in Sturgis. He went to work for McMahon Feed store and he ran the elevator as well as bought and sold feed for the company throughout that area for over ten years. He drove gravel truck and had other odd jobs until he started carpentering in the early sixties and he became a building contractor which was his profession until he semi-retired at age 62. He and Butch worked and saved doing all of the remodeling and additions on their original home until they were able to purchase 80 acres of land just outside of Sturgis in the hills. This then became their dream to design and build a new home on that property. In December of 1974 they moved in and had the first family Christmas holiday of many at their new home.

They kept busy for many years to follow, adding new buildings and rocking the outside of most of these buildings, raised a few cows and calves, did their own butchering as well as attending many of the neighborhood working 'bees'. They logged and hauled firewood from Vale and all through the hills for exercise as well as winter heat. Along with this they owned and maintained as many as ten rentals.

Chad and Butch loved bowling, traveling and dancing to country music.

Charles "Chad" Kenneth Plambeck, 92, of Sturgis, died Monday, December 29, 2014, at Sturgis Regional Senior Care.

He is survived by his sons, Joseph (Marcia) and Gene (Rindi); grandchildren, Chad, Brad, Vicky, Nikki and Brandy Joe; great-grandchildren, Trevor, Sakura, Hanna, Hadley and Hudsyn; sister, "Sissy" (Joe) Ramirez; sister-in-law, Glorene (George); and many nieces and nephews.

Chad was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Butch; brothers, George and Merle; sisters, Clara and Mildred.

A memorial has been established to the Disabled Veterans Association.

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

*The family invites you for fellowship and lunch
at the Vet's Club immediately following the funeral service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

In Loving Memory Of



Charles "Chad" Kenneth Plambeck

1922 ~ 2014



Lord, I'm nothin' but a cowboy
and sometimes I spin a verse.
I should've come on horseback
not stretched out in that hearse.
Don't aim to be no trouble
and my chores I sure won't shirk.
Just show me where my saddle is
and the cows I'm s'posed to work.
Lord, this can't be my halo
It won't fit my head you see.
If it's all the same to you, sir
I'll just wear my old John B.
I can't use these wings, sir
I could never learn to fly.
I've been throwed too many times
By broncs that bucked too high.
I don't meant to gripe, Lord
'bout this robe by any means
but I hope you won't mind, sir
if I wear my boots and jeans.
I tried to play the harp, sir
but I just can't make it ring.
If someone finds an old guitar
I'll strum that and try to sing.
I ain't nothin' but a cowboy
no right to the golden stair.
So if it be your wish Dear Lord,
Send me back to South Dakota
'cause I fit real well back there.

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Born

January 3, 1922
Box Elder, South Dakota

Died

December 29, 2014
Sturgis, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Saturday, January 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Clergy

Chaplain Herbert Cleveland

Special Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace"
"The Old Rugged Cross"
"Naval Academy Hymn"

Pallbearers

Gene Plambeck ~ Joseph Plambeck ~ Chad Plambeck
Nick Carlson ~ Dave Komes ~ Jim Schroeder

Honorary Pallbearers

Brad Plambeck ~ Brandy Joe Plambeck
Robert Williams ~ Heath Hopkin

Military Honors

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

Interment

Monday, January 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota