Dale Brooks

Dale Brooks was born January 14, 1941, in New Underwood, SD, to Marvin and Alice Brooks. He grew up in Philip, SD, with his four brothers; Arlie, Darral, George, and Gary. He graduated from Philip High School in 1959. He then went on to attend Huron College and Black Hills State College on full athletic scholarships. When he wasn't in school, he would work for his dad driving heavy equipment to build dams. He graduated from Black Hills State College with a degree in secondary education.

During his time at Black Hills State College, he met Ellen Purcelli. They were married on June 26, 1965. Dale went on to teach and coach in Martin, SD, for six years and then Sturgis, SD, for 23 years. During this time they had three daughters: Vicki, Kristi and Laura. His honors include receiving high school teacher of the year while working at Sturgis Brown High School. He was inducted into the Hall of Fame in both Martin, SD, and Sturgis, SD, for his successful years coaching high school athletics. He retired in the spring of 1997 from teaching, but continued to work with his brothers on the family farm in Philip until 2008.

His many interests include golfing, playing pool, playing bridge, reading the newspaper every morning, and driving anything with a motor: car, truck, tractor, combine, Caterpillars, golf cart, and lawn mower. He enjoyed socializing with friends and spending time with family. He loved teasing his grandchildren every year by telling them he was getting them a hot dog for their Christmas present.

Dale, 81, Sturgis, passed away peacefully Thursday, August 25, 2022, at Monument Health Hospital in Sturgis, SD.

He is survived by his wife, Ellen Brooks; daughters, Vicki (George) Huck, Kristi (Perry) Jewett, Laura (Jason) Penticoff; his grandchildren, Sierra Jewett, Kaisja Huck, Haven Huck, Noah Huck, Ethan Huck, Kadin Bestgen, Brooklyn Bestgen, Tyana Bestgen, Zach Bestgen and Grace Bestgen; great grandchild, Aaliyah; his brothers, Darral Brooks and Gary Brooks; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Alice Brooks; and brothers, Arlie and George Brooks.

A memorial has been established.

Rest in Peace Brooksie.

The family extends an invitation to join them for fellowship and refreshments, in the fellowship hall, following the service.

Thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory Of Dale Brooks

January 14, 1941 ~ August 25, 2022

To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, Release me, Let me go.

I have so many things to see and do.

You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears.

Be happy that we had so many years.

I gave to you my love.

You can only guess how much you gave to me in happiness.

I thank you for the love you each have shown.

But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me if grieve you must.

Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It's only for a while that we must part.

So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away. For life goes on.

So if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me,

I'll be near, and if you listen with your heart, you'll hear

All my love around you soft and clear.

And then when you must come this way alone,

I'll greet you with a smile and "Welcome Home".





In Loving Memory Of Dale Brooks

Born

January 14, 1941 New Underwood, South Dakota

Died

August 25, 2022 Sturgis, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Wednesday, August 31, 2022, 11:00 a.m. Sturgis United Methodist Church Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Derek Anderson

Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace"
"What a Wonderful World"

Honorary Pallbearers

All Grandchildren

Final Resting Place

At A Later Date