



Jim Carroll Karlson

Jim Carroll Karlson was born October 2, 1930, in a sod house at Hoover, SD, to Karl and Nicolena "Lena" (Nelson) Karlson. He was the 11th of 13 children. He attended school at the Fishdraw School near Hoover. The family moved to Belle Fourche and Jim completed his education in Belle Fourche.

Jim worked on various ranches in Montana. He had a son, Karl James.

He entered the U. S. Army in 1952. He served as a paratrooper in Europe. Jim was honorably discharged as a corporal in 1954. He earned the Korean

Occupation and the National Defense service medals. He then served eight years in the army reserve.

Jim married Beverly J. Neisent on August 7, 1956, in Miles City, MT. They moved to Nisland, SD, where they raised their family of five children. Jim spent his life as an over-the-road truck driver.

Jim was a member of the Newell First Lutheran Church. He and Beverly have attended Immanuel Lutheran Church in Whitewood since moving to Whitewood in 2009. Jim was a 50 year member of American Legion Post # 5807 and a Lifetime member of the VFW. He also served as a member of the American Legion Honor Guard. He loved a good dirty joke and had a unique, infectious laugh. Jim also loved to hunt and fish.

Jim, 82, Whitewood, died Monday, November 5, 2012, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, Fort Meade, surrounded by his family.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Beverly Karlson, Whitewood; his beloved dog, Gizmo; his children, Karl Karlson-Rost, Michigan, Ky (Wynn) Karlson, Reno, NV, Karrol (Bryant) Herman, Nisland, Steve (Julie) Karlson, Nisland, SD, James Brett (Cathy) Karlson, Reno, NV, and Rusty (Tammy) Karlson, Whitewood; eighteen grandchildren, Hannah and Kelly Rost, Dusky Karlson, Brianna Gose, Josh Herman, Lyndsay Sheeler, Nick Herman, Kimberly Lang, Kory and Kyle Karlson, Chad, Connor, and Destinee Karlson, James Fickbohm, Stephanie Karlson, Brian Karlson, Brandi Pickering, and Colby Karlson; eleven great-grandchildren, Emily, Jack, Kara, Emmalyne, Kaydence, Alli, Nikolena, James Theodore, Ayden, Riddick, and Judah; one great-great-granddaughter, Addyson; one brother, Al Karlson, California; two sisters, Connie Harper, Washington, and Esther Blomberg, Newell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and nine brothers and sisters.

In lieu of flowers, memorials have been established to the Spearfish Humane Society and the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Whitewood.

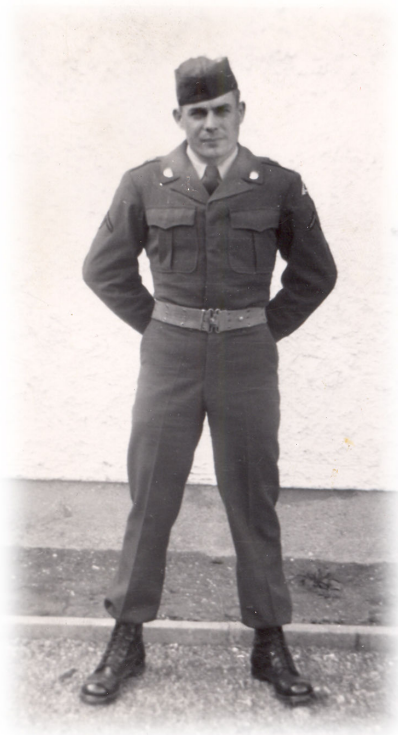
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

In Loving Memory Of



Jim Karlson

1930 ~ 2012



After Glow

*I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an after glow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who
grieve, to dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave
When life is done.*

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Born

October 2, 1930
Hoover, South Dakota

Died

November 5, 2012
Fort Meade, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Thursday, November 8, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Whitewood, South Dakota

Officiating

Rev. David Baer

Special Music

Susan Gerkin

Musical Selections

"If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again"
"One Day At A Time"
"Amazing Grace"
"The Old Rugged Cross"

Pallbearers

Brian Karlson ~ Colby Karlson ~ Kory Karlson
Kyle Karlson ~ Josh Herman ~ Nick Herman ~ Dusky Karlson

Honorary Pallbearers

Chad Karlson ~ Connor Karlson ~ James Fickbohm

Inurnment

Friday, November 9, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.
Black Hills National Cemetery

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch
in the church hall following the funeral service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*