

Grandpa's Gone To Heaven

*One quiet day the angels came
And took grandpa far away
But in the stillness of the night
I could almost hear him say.*

*"Dear grandchild, I will miss you
You mean so much to me
But Jesus called me to His side
In Heaven I will be.*

*A place of God's great beauty
No tears or earthly cares
Only peace and joy forever
And love beyond compare.*

*So remember all the good times
Don't think about the sad.
Treasure all the special moments
Through the years we've always had.*

*And if you trust in Jesus
I can promise this and more
You will get a hug from grandpa
Someday on Heaven's golden shore."*

- J. Morse

In Loving Memory Of Douglas K. Ramsell July 5, 1955 ~ June 6, 2025





Douglas Kim Ramsell, the son of Paul and Ila (Baum) Ramsell, was born on July 5, 1955 at Huron Hospital the third of three children, joining his sister, Sondra and brother, Scott. Doug grew up on the family farm northeast of Huron where they raised hogs and dairy cows. Doug started his schooling at Valley Township Country School before finishing his school years in Huron, graduating in 1973. Doug then attended South Dakota State University in Brookings. There he received a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Ag Business.

Doug married Jane (Dewald) on January 7, 1977, at St. Martins Church in Huron. The couple lived in Brookings, until Doug finished college in December of 1978. It was during this time in Brookings that the

couple welcomed their first of three daughters.

In 1979, Doug and Jane moved to Huron. It was here that the couple has spent the last 46 years building a full life together, adding two more daughters, and eventually three sons-in-law, and his beloved grandchildren.

Doug worked on the family farm for many years until the family retired from farming. Doug had a passion for people, so much so that he began a second career in sales working for a time selling cell phones before finishing his sales career at Slumberland Furniture. In retirement, Doug's passion for politics gained him a seat on the Beadle County Commission in 2017. In 2020, he became Chairman, holding the title until his passing.

Doug was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, the Elks, Washington Elementary PTO president, and served for many years on the Valley Township Board. Doug most enjoyed his years involved with the local Jaycees where he gained innumerable lifelong friends. It was here Doug held many of the local, district and state offices, finally serving as the Jaycees State President in 1988-89.

Doug enjoyed being surrounded by family and friends, hosting many get-togethers. In fact, the farm's Centennial Celebration in 2024 was a highlight for him, celebrating with his family and many cousins. Doug loved watching his daughter's, and in recent years his grandchildren's, many activities. He also loved working in his yard and tending to his garden around his home. In retirement, Doug loved to travel with his wife, Jane and hoped to visit all fifty states. He nearly succeeded too, having made it to all but two of the fifty states.

Grateful for having shared in Doug's life are his wife of 48 years, Jane of Huron; three daughters, Charlotte (Mike) Zell, Alaina (David) Harrington, both of Huron, and Kristin (Scott) Manning of Ankeny, Iowa; four grandkids, Abigail and Deklan Harrington and Owen and Mason Manning; one sister, Sondra Kimball; his mother-in-law, Patty Dewald; many cousins, nieces and nephews; and several brothers- and sisters-in law.

Doug was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Scott Ramsell; three brothers-in-law, Ronald Kimball, David Karst and Paul Mertz; his stepfather, Mac Haskell; and father-in-law, Joe Dewald.

Mass Of Christian Burial

Friday, June 13, 2025

10:30 AM

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish
Huron, South Dakota

Officiant

Rev. Larry Regynski

Music

Tammie Musil — Pianist
Ann Blondheim — Cantor

On Eagle's Wings
Amazing Grace

Honorary Urn Bearers

Doug's Grandchildren

Abigail Harrington

Deklan Harrington

Owen Manning

Mason Manning

Doug's Sons-in-Law

Michael Zell

David Harrington

Scott Manning