

Kenneth "Ken" Floyd Perry, 85, of Spearfish, passed away peacefully at home on May 4, 2019, with his loving family by his side.

Ken was one of the last babies to be born at the Homestake Hospital in Lead on July 5, 1933, to Theodore and Mary (Stucker) Perry. He attended school in Lead, graduating in 1951. Shortly after graduation, he married his high school sweetheart, Marlene Peyton. They were blessed with a daughter, Colleen.

Holding a variety of jobs at a young age, Ken developed a very strong work ethic. He particularly enjoyed his employment at Ruby's gas station in Deadwood. He then went on to work for Homestake for nearly 40 years, retiring in 1992. He was active in the Lead/Deadwood Junior and Little League Baseball and Softball organizations, serving as both a coach and an umpire. Ken was also active in both the Deadwood and Spearfish United Methodist Churches, serving on various committees as needed.

He enjoyed traveling, camping, and framing jig saw puzzles he put together. His greatest joy was spending time with his family, and watching his grandchildren and great-grandchildren participate in school and athletic activities.

Ken was a kind and loving man that will always be remembered by his family and friends. He will be missed by all that knew him.

Although recent illness made it difficult, Ken almost always participated in the Lead Class of '51 monthly reunions and enjoyed reminiscing with his classmates and their spouses.

Ken was especially grateful for all of the doctors, nurses, and dialysis staff that were so kind to him over the years. His daughter, Colleen, was also his faithful and loving caregiver, and they had a special bond.

Ken is survived by his wife, Marlene, and daughter, Colleen, both of Spearfish; son-in-law, Russ Harford, Chadron, NE; and grandchildren, Josh Harford (Mindy Sandoval and her daughter, Lennon), Frederick, CO, Kenette and Ryan Scharf, Spearfish, and Toby Harford, Lincoln, NE. He is also survived by six great-grandchildren, Skylar Harford, Larkyn Harford, Charlotte Harford, Will Scharf, Kate Scharf, and Jack Scharf; his sister-in-law, Mary (John) Nygaard, Spearfish; nieces, Connie (Vince) Braun, Rapid City, Crystal (Scott) Bartlowe, Apache Junction, AZ, and Kim (Asa) Stafford, Deadwood; and nephews, Kevin (Lisa) Peyton, Deadwood, and Ted (Lynn) Manley, Sun River, MT.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his father and mother-in-law, Leonard and Charlotte Peyton; an infant daughter, Debra Jean; brother, Jerry Perry; sister, Fran Watt; and brother-in-law, Richard Peyton.

Memorials will be given to the Spearfish Regional Health Dialysis Unit.

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

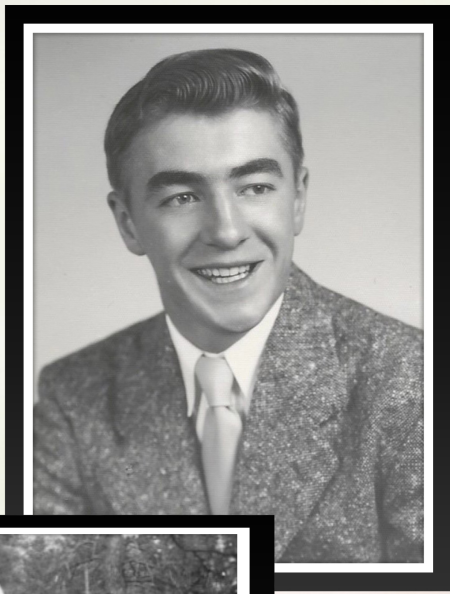
The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the church hall immediately following the celebration of life. We thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory

Kenneth "Ken" Floyd Perry

July 5, 1933 ~ May 4, 2019



In Memory Of
Kenneth "Ken" Floyd Perry

Date of Birth

July 5, 1933
Lead, South Dakota

Date of Death

May 4, 2019
Spearfish, South Dakota

Celebration of Life

Monday, May 20, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.
Spearfish United Methodist Church
Spearfish, South Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Scott McKirdy

Musicians

Betty and Norman Martin
Colleen McKirdy

Songs

"How Great Thou Art"
"Shall We Gather at the River"
"I'll Fly Away"

Honorary Pallbearers

All Ken's Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Final Resting Place

Mountain Lawn Cemetery
Lead, South Dakota

*I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
and I have remained faithful.
And now the prize awaits me —
the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous Judge,
will give me on the day of his return.*

*And the prize is not just for me
but for all who eagerly look forward to his appearing.*

2nd Timothy 4:7-8