



NORMAN BRENT WIKA

Norman Brent Wika, son of Norm and Marbeth (Stevens) Wika was born on March 24, 1939 in Clark, SD. Brent married Judy Postulka of Burke, SD on June 1961.

They have two sons, Greg (Cheryl) of Anchorage, Alaska and Garrett (Cyndi) of Scottsdale, AZ and 6 grandchildren. Surviving him are his brother, Darwin Wika of West Chester, PA; Bruce Wika of Franktown, CO, Darryl Wika of Brookings, SD and sister Dawn Van Riper of Morrison, CO.

Brent attended Clark Grade and High Schools, then he attended SDSC where he had received a football scholarship. He graduated in 1961 with a degree in Physical Education. His involvement in Advanced ROTC entered him into Army Active Duty in November 1961 at Ft. Knox, KY. His first duty was instructing soldiers in tank warfare as an Armor officer. In 1962, he attended Army fixed wing flight school at Ft. Rucker, AL. Upon completion, he was asked to be a flight instructor at the school. After two years of instructing, he transitioned into the Grumman "Mohawk" and was sent to Hanau, Germany where he flew reconnaissance missions on the East German border. He returned to the United States in 1966, where he helped establish three "Mohawk" companies at Ft. Lewis, WA, that were commercially for Braniff Airlines, Frontier Airlines, and Aspen Airlines. The last 20 years he flew for United Airlines. Upon retirement, he and Judy moved to Watertown where he enjoyed golfing, hunting, and fishing.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to SDSU Football Fund or the Issac Walton League of Watertown, SD.

Furness Funeral Home in Clark, SD is in charge of arrangements.

