



## Joseph Wendell Schaffer

Joe was born June 17, 1958, to Jim and Doris Schaffer in Mitchell, SD. He graduated high school in 1976 and then completed the Culinary Arts program at MAVTS. Joe married Brenda Bollinger in Sturgis on June 22, 1985.

He was a chef in Yankton, Jacksonville, FL, and the Sluice Restaurant in Spearfish. He worked in numerous food venues until his love for children led him to become Food Service Director for Meade Schools.

Joe was a WWII history buff and restored two old jeeps. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and loved building things in his shop. He enjoyed camping, 4-wheeling, and motorcycling with family and friends.

Joseph Wendell Schaffer, 59, Sturgis, went on his eternal hunting journey on Thursday, August 24, 2017, after suffering a heart attack.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda; his mother, Doris Schaffer; two sisters, Rene DeJong and Connie (Larry) Mutchler; three brothers, Pat Schaffer, Bill (Connie) Schaffer, and Eric (Gwen) Schaffer; sisters-in-law, Barb (Todd) Colgrove and Lori (Keenan) Dohn; and brothers-in-law, Rick (Mercedes) Bollinger and Darrin Bollinger. He is also survived by numerous treasured nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Schaffer, and father and mother-in-law, Mel and Darlene Bollinger.

Memorials have been established for Pheasants Forever, Meade School District Nurses, and Hunter's Safety.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).



*In Loving Memory Of*  
*Joseph Wendell Schaffer*

*1958 ~ 2017*

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the  
Erskine Room in the church basement following the committal service.  
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



*In Loving Memory Of*

***Joseph Wendell Schaffer***

***Born***

June 17, 1958  
Mitchell, South Dakota

***Died***

August 24, 2017  
Rapid City, South Dakota

***Funeral Service***

Monday, August 28, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.  
First Presbyterian Church  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Officiant***

Rev. Denzel Nonhof

***Accompanist***

Charlie Nonhof

***Musical Selections***

"Amazing Grace"  
"On Eagle's Wings"

***Pallbearers***

Terry Ness ~ Dan Geppert ~ Todd Colgrove  
Keenan Dohn ~ Mike Paris ~ Dave Geist

***Honorary Pallbearers***

All Nieces and Nephews,  
Friends, and Co-Workers

***Interment***

Bear Butte Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota

*God saw he was getting tired  
and a cure was not to be  
So He put His arms around him  
And whispered "Come to Me."  
With tearful eyes we watched him suffer  
And saw him fade away  
Although we loved him dearly  
We could not make him stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating  
Hardworking hands to rest  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He takes the very best.*