

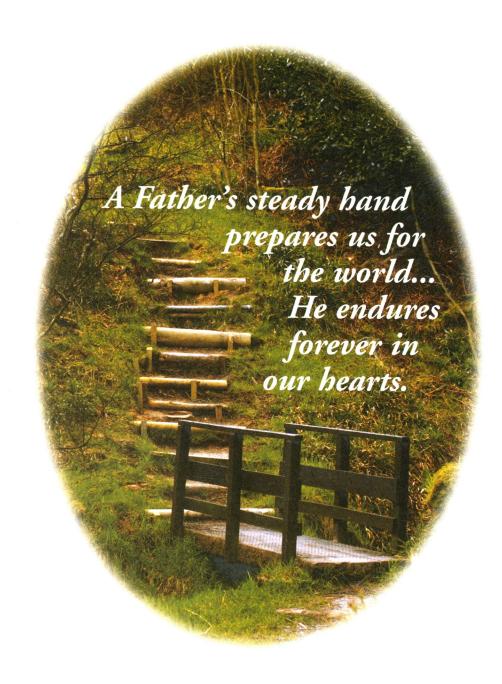
With tearful eyes we watched him suffer, and saw him slowly fade away. Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands put to rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.



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William Leigh Altfillisch was born July 21, 1936 in Clark, SD, to Velda (Moser) and Leigh Altfillisch. He attended school in Clark graduating from Clark High School in 1956.

On November 19, 1956 he married the love of his life, Dianne Fox at the St. Michael's Catholic Church of Clark. They lived in Clark for three years and then moved to Sioux Falls for the next twelve years where Bill worked as an auto body shop man. While in Sioux Falls, their daughter Lisa was born. The family then moved to Hubbard, OR for three years and added a daughter, Dana to the family. They then moved to the Crooks/Renner area for the next two years where he continued working as an auto body man.

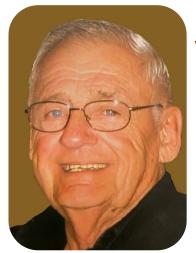
His love for farming had them return to Clark. They eventually built their home southeast of Clark where they resided until 2016. Bill was a founder and former President of Clark Rural Water System. He was also a longtime member of the St. Michael's Catholic Church. In 2016, Bill and Dianne moved to Mellette and for the last year and a half, he had been a resident of the Bethesda Nursing Home in Aberdeen

Bill had a wondrous mind and was a true adventure seeker. He never said "Can't" as he would try to learn about everything he ever pondered about. He learned to fly, hunt, fish, take and develop photos, play the guitar, and anything else he was curious of. Above all, he loved his family, especially his grandchildren! His favorite saying was "Love is the word!"

Bill is survived by his wife, Dianne Altfillisch of Mellette; daughters, Lisa (Jerome) Morgan of Mellete, and Dana (Brad) Oye of Warner; grandchildren, Austin (Lauren) Morgan, Angela (Ian) Seuser, Evan Morgan, Gabrielle (Kyle) Hall, Olivia Oye, and Slaton Oye; great grandchildren Hattie, Luella, Augustus, Leo and Dani; brother, Wayne "Buster" (Sandy) Altfillisch; and sister, Kay Flanigan.

He is reunited with his parents; sisters, Mary Roe and Genevieve Altfillisch; and brother-in-law, Larry Flanigan.





# Celebrating the Life of William "Bill" Altfillisch



## Mass of Christian Burial

St. Michael's Catholic Church Clark, South Dakota Monday, December 28, 2020 11:00 AM

#### Celebrant

The Reverend Daniel Smith

#### Musíc

Members of St. Michael's Church Cantors—Angela Seuser & Gabrielle Hall

#### Lector

Dana Oye

#### **Eucharistic Minister**

Lisa Morgan

## Honorary Casketbearers

Jerome Morgan Brad Oye
Buster & Sandy Altfillisch Kay Flanagen
Bethesda Nursing Home Staff

#### Casketbearers

Austin Morgan Evan Morgan Olivia Oye Angela Seuser Gabrielle Hall Slaton Oye

#### **Interment**

St. Boniface Cemetery Clark, South Dakota

# "Love is the word!"

The family of Bill Altfillisch thanks you for your presence here today, for your thoughts, prayers, and other acts of kindness shown to them. They would also like to thank the staff of Bethesda Nursing Home for the loving care given Bill over the last year and a half.