# Paul Albert Keffeler

Paul A. Keffeler, 61, died March 14, 2023, at Monument Health Sturgis Hospital in Sturgis, SD.

Paul was born October 25, 1961, in Sturgis, SD, to Mark and Michaela (Urban) Keffeler. He grew up on the family ranch on Alkali Creek east of Sturgis. He graduated from Sturgis Brown High School where he was active in FFA, 4-H, and the automotive and

welding programs. He attended SDSU and then completed a registered apprenticeship for automotive technology.

He was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, Coleen Hays on July 17, 1981, in Wall, SD. They had two children, Jennifer and Evan. Paul operated an independent automotive repair business for nearly 30 years before working as a contract fabricator for RESPEC in Rapid City, SD. He enjoyed family gatherings, working on cars, and the challenge of building and fixing anything from cars, to tools, to machines.

A quiet, gentle man, Paul loved his family and was so proud of them, supporting them in their activities and pursuits. At family gatherings, Paul could often be found reading to the kids or gathering them all up for a walk to check the cattle. He passed his knowledge of mechanics, welding, and machining onto the next generation mentoring many Meade County 4-H youth and students of Sturgis Brown High School.

He is survived by his wife, Coleen; daughter, Jennifer (Jon) Jones; son, Evan (Kim) Keffeler; father, Mark (Bev) Keffeler; sister, Sara (Travis) Schaunaman; and brothers, Michael (Tammy) Keffeler, Jason (DeAnn) Keffeler, Ryan (Annie) Keffeler, and Heath (Kelly) Keffeler. Paul had three grandsons Jackson, Parker, and Spencer. He is also

survived by his in-laws, Bob and Della Hays, Jimmy (Amy) Hays, Lori (Steve) Peterson, and Jerry (Misty) Hays, and a host of nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents Albert and Martha (Morrison) Keffeler.

A memorial has been established to St. Martin's Chapel.

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

# Celebrating A Life Well Lived



Paul Albert Keffeler October 25, 1961 ~ March 14, 2023

"I can do all things through Him who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:13

# In Loving Memory Of Paul Albert Keffeler

Born October 25, 1961 Sturgis, South Dakota Died March 14, 2023 Sturgis, South Dakota

Rosary

Monday, March 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. St. Martin's Chapel Sturgis, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial
Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Celebrant
Father Timothy Castor

Musicians
Dr. Barry Furze Myron Volk

Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace" "On Eagle's Wings"

"How Great Thou Art" "Ave Maria"

Pallbearers
Michael Keffeler Ryan Keffeler Heath Keffeler
Justin Keffeler Jon Jones Jerry Hays

Honorary Pallbearers
All Family and Friends

Final Resting Place
St. Aloysius Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota



"I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith."

2 Timothy 4:7

