

## **Jerry's Final Message.....**

First .... I want to thank my family and friends for being here. I also want to thank the ones that came, just to be sure I'm really gone!

On May 2, 1938, in New Underwood, SD, my parents and my older sister, Dona, celebrated my birth. They introduced me to all as Jerald Dean Wildberger, son of August "Bud" and Julia (Larson) Wildberger from rural Union Center. Eventually, my sister, Deanna and brother, Rick joined the family. We moved to Sturgis, SD, where I attended school and much to my mother's relief, I graduated from high school. I joined the U.S. Navy and quickly realized I really didn't like being bossed around. After an honorable discharge, I returned to Sturgis and married June Giedd. To this union four of my greatest blessings were born...Tina Marie, Anita Rene, Karla Kay, and Alan P. Wildberger. My life was well lived. You either liked me or you didn't. I had my opinions and had a way of telling it like it was. I learned what I wanted to learn and fixed what I wanted to fix.

When I thought I was too old to fall in love again, I met Cindy Anderson, my ERP. Just so you know, ERP, stands for East River Person. Neither of us were looking for each other, but like she said the night I kissed her and dang near sucked the bubble gum right out of her mouth we decided to give us a chance. Andy Lynn Wildberger is my pride and joy and when he met Kayla Deranleau our family was complete. While I'm bragging, I gotta tell you about my grandkids and families. John and his wife Liz and their kids, Samantha, Carson, and Caden Waring, Jake and his wife Kate and son, Langston Waring, Patrick and his wife Mallory and daughter, Savvy Waring, Paul and his wife Becca Waring, Alan and his wife Molli and their kids, Grayson and Magnolia McMillin. You will never know how proud I am to be your grandpa. I can't forget my nieces and nephews... each one of you hold a special place in my heart.

Well, I best end this, there's people on the other side waiting for me, Alan P, it's been a long time and I'm sure hoping you, Maurice Herber, and Lynn Franz, are there to welcome me. Kids take care of your mom and I'll be watching over all of you.

*The family would like to invite you to join them for  
fellowship and lunch following the committal service at the  
Sturgis Vet's Club at 868 Main Street in Sturgis.  
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

## *Celebrating A Life Well Lived*



*Jerald "Jerry" Dean Wildberger  
May 2, 1938 ~ February 14, 2023*





When you lose the one you love  
You think your world has ended.  
You think your life will be a waste  
Without them in it.  
You feel there's no way to go on  
And life is just a sad old song.  
But love is bigger than us all  
The end is not the end at all.  
Life goes on  
And when its gone  
It lives in someone new.  
It's not something you get over  
But it's something you get through.

*In Loving Memory Of*  
***Jerald "Jerry" Dean Wildberger***

***Born***

May 2, 1938  
New Underwood, South Dakota

***Died***

February 14, 2023  
Fort Meade, South Dakota

***Memorial Service***

Friday, February 17, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Welcome and Reading of the Obituary***

Jake Waring-Grandson

***Sentiments by***

Mark Biedenfeld-Nephew

***Musical Selections***

"Good Bye" by Kenny Rogers  
"Stand On It" by Mel McDaniel

***Honorary Pallbearers***

Wyatt Nohava Calvin Cammack Rob Schoeneman Matt Hoff  
DJ Brink Brandon Overweg Joe Baker Matt Overweg

***Final Resting Place***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota

*A memorial has been established.*

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