

Albert LeRoy Johnston

Albert "LeRoy" Johnston was born, October 2, 1932, to Elmer and Cassie Johnston in Alliance, NE. At the age of 9, his family moved to Deadwood, SD, where his father became a railroad engineer for the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railway.

In 1950, LeRoy graduated from Deadwood High School and enlisted in the United States Navy. He served 3 years spending most of that time in Korean waters.

He married Myrtle French in 1952 and to this union seven children were born. In 2000, LeRoy married Donna Luze in Deadwood, SD. In 1992, LeRoy retired from Homestake Gold Mine after 39 years working underground. Since then, he has truly been "living the dream." LeRoy spent most of his time hunting, fishing and enjoying his caboose located near Rochford, SD. He has left a rich legacy of loving the outdoors, babies and dogs with all of his off-spring.

LeRoy, 83, Spearfish, died Saturday, April 23, 2016, at the David M Dorsett Healthcare Community in Spearfish.

LeRoy is survived by his wife, Donna Johnston, Spearfish; one sister, Norma Lore, Rapid City; seven children, Pearl (Ted) Miller, Spearfish, Ed (Kathy) Johnston, Gillette, Pam Kracht and partner Dave Watkins, Upton, Norm (Deneen) Johnston, Brookings, Randy (Lori) Johnston, Spearfish, Ronnie (Laurie) Johnston, Rapid City, and Rick (Ranae) Johnston, Orofino, ID; and three step-children, Jim Luze Jr., Lead, Vonda (Shane) Storley, Britton, SD, and Todd (Kathy) Luze, Lead. He was the proud grandfather of 29 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Robert; step-daughter, Linda Luze; one grandchild; and three great-grandchildren.

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



*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch
at the Deadwood VFW following the committal service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



*In Loving
Memory Of*

Albert LeRoy Johnston

1932 ~ 2016





A Million Times

*A million times we've needed you,
A million times we've cried,
If our love could have saved you,
You never would have died.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.
He saw you were getting tired,
When a recovery was not to be,
He closed His arms around you,
And whispered "Come to Me."
For all the pain you went through,
He saw you needed rest,
God's garden must be beautiful,
For he only picks the best.*

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Albert LeRoy Johnston

Born

October 2, 1932
Alliance, Nebraska

Died

April 23, 2016
Spearfish, South Dakota

Memorial Service

Wednesday, April 27, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel

Officiant

Pastor Bob Totino

Musical Selections

"The Battle Hymn Of The Republic"
"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"
"In The Garden"

Honorary Pallbearers

All Family and Friends

Military Honors

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

Inurnment

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota