

Brian Keith McKay

Brian was born to Keith and Louise (Ziegler) McKay on May 1, 1954. Brian lived and attended school in Sturgis, graduating in 1972. After attending SDSU in Brookings, Brian married Janice Cronin in Huron, SD, in 1976. They lived in Sturgis and Pleasant Valley. After their divorce, he made his home east of Sturgis.

On Election Day 2004, Brian reconnected with an old high school friend, Candy Bracewell, at the Presbyterian Church Election Day dinner. That spark led to the beginning of a wonderful 15-year marriage filled with laughter, love, countless traveling adventures and an occasional "learning opportunity / disagreement!" His jovial smile and nonstop teasing lit up any room. When he and Candy married, Brian became a proud stepdad and grandpa. Many wonderful memories were made with five grandchildren!

In his high school and college years, Brian spent a lot of time on the slopes of Terry Peak both for enjoyment and as a ski instructor. Brian spent many years operating downtown businesses with his dad, Keith. Between Brian at the Ben Franklin store and Keith at McKay Drug, they employed lots of local people. Many lasting friendships were made during his time on Main Street. Prior to retirement, he owned his own ad specialties company which also included a commercial embroidery business. Brian enjoyed hunting and golfing, but his passion was fly fishing. He looked forward to his weekly adventures with Ray and Paul. Brian also had a passion for cooking, always grilling up some delicious food to share.

Brian Keith McKay, 66, died unexpectedly Monday, November 2, 2020.

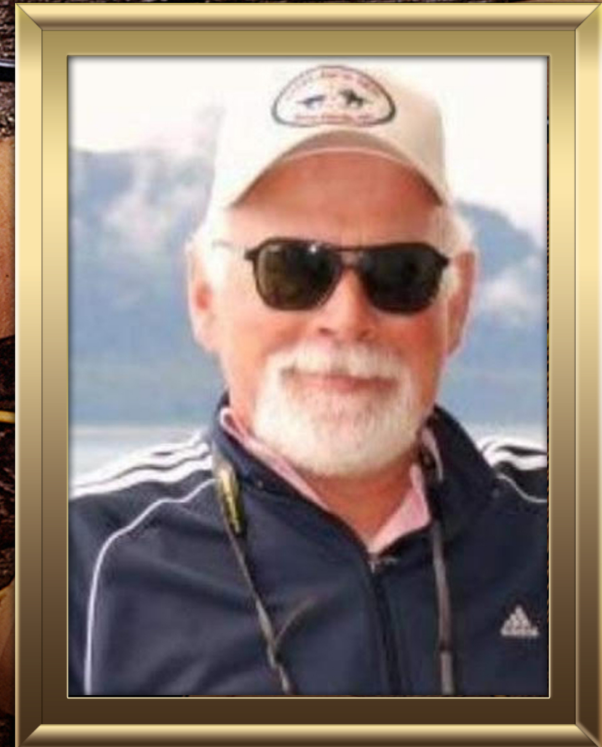
Grateful for having shared his life is his wife, Candy; stepson, Brad Humpal, and stepdaughter, JaNohn Thacker, both of Gillette, WY; his father, Keith McKay of Sturgis; brother, Scott (Liz) McKay of Colorado; niece, Allison of Colorado; nephew, Billy of Colorado; his sister-in-law, Betty Reed of Wheatland; and his grandchildren, Niveah, Benton, and Jersey Thacker and Braizyn and Pyper Humpal.

Preceding him in death were his mother, Louise; brother, Tom Reed; Uncle Bob; and Aunt Bernice Murphey; and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Memorials have been established to Grace Lutheran Church and the Meade County Rural Ambulance District.

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

We thank you for your presence and condolences.



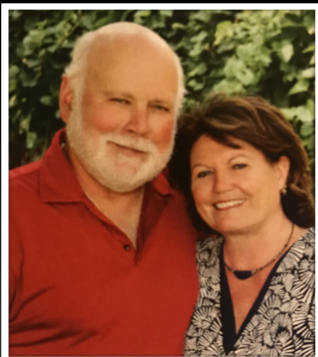
In Loving Memory

Brian Keith McKay

May 1, 1954 ~ November 2, 2020

*Death takes the body.
God takes the soul.
Our minds holds the memories.
Our heart keeps the love.*

Our faith lets us know we will meet again.



In Memory Of
Brian Keith McKay

Date of Birth

May 1, 1954
Deadwood, South Dakota

Date of Death

November 2, 2020
Sturgis, South Dakota

Graveside Service

Saturday, November 7, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.
Bear Butte Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Kris Garlick

Music

Sounds of Grace



His lord said to him,
"Well done, good and faithful servant;
you were faithful over a few things,
I will make you ruler over many things.
Enter into the joy of your lord."

Matthew 25:21