James Albert Meyer

James Albert Meyer was born July 3, 1931, in Sturgis, SD, to Frank and Hattie (Mailloux) Meyer. He grew up and attended school in Sturgis. Following school, he worked for a short time at Howkola Refinery. In 1949, he joined the Air Force where he served four years and was stationed in Germany during the Korean Conflict. When he came home from the service, he married Marlys Tippey on November 28, 1954. They had two daughters, Debbie and Sandi "Jayne."

In 1962, Jim and his brother, Vernon "Tuffy," opened up the Meyer Brothers Auto Repair Shop in Sturgis. Following this business venture, he went to work for Wheeler Lumber & Bridge in Whitewood, SD. He then semi-retired and purchased the Southside Carwash in Sturgis where he enjoyed frequent trips back and forth in his Jeep.

Jim "Gramps" enjoyed life to the fullest. Some things he enjoyed with his family and friends were hunting, fishing, archery, motorcycling, water skiing, square dancing, karate, S'mores and barbecues on the patio, and camping. Gran and Gramps enjoyed the outdoor life so much. They built a cabin on their property by Deadwood where they spent many days with family and friends playing horseshoes, cards, hunting, and weekend trips with their grandchildren. When they were not at the cabin, they logged many miles touring the Black Hills in their camper. Jim and Marlys both learned to fly and were proud owners of a two-passenger plane. He also spent hours building and flying model airplanes. Jim lived a full life and his family and friends will miss him greatly. He has left us all with many cherished memories.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years Marlys; two daughters, Debbie Christensen of Harrisburg, SD, and Sandi "Jayne" (Bryce) Sigman of Sturgis, SD; two brothers, Vernon "Tuffy" (Bonnie) Meyer and Bill (Judy) Meyer and his sister, Betty Griffin, all of Sturgis, SD; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Nels Christensen; one brother-in-law, Lyle Tippey; and one sister-in-law, Jean Miller.

A memorial has been established to the First Presbyterian Church. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the Erskine Room in the church basement immediately following the funeral service.

We thank you for your presence and condolences.

In Loving Memory Of



James Albert Meyer

1931 ~ 2017



Colossians 3 English Standard Version (ESV)

Put On the New Self

3 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your [a] life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



Psalm 121 English Standard Version (ESV)

My Help Comes from the LORD

A Song of Ascents.

121 I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? ² My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

³ He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. ⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

⁸ The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

In Loving Memory Of

James Albert Meyer

Born

July 3, 1931 Sturgis, South Dakota

Died

February 28, 2017 Rapid City, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Monday, March 6, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. First Presbyterian Church Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Reverend Denzel Nonhof

Accompanist

Brenda Schaffer

Musical Selections

"I'll Fly Away"
"Not Afraid"

Honorary Pallbearers

All Family and Friends

Pallbearers

Cody Christensen ~ Tyler Christensen ~ Jason Steinmetz Tyler Hicks ~ Jon Millar ~ Jess Harris

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota