



## Adam James Engel

Adam James Engel was born March 10, 1975 in Sturgis, SD to Paul R. Engel and Patricia J. (Hehn) Engel. He grew up in Sturgis and graduated from Sturgis Brown High School on May 29, 1994.

Adam married Shyla Nohava on August 31, 2002, in Sturgis and together they had two beautiful daughters, Teagan Marae (age 15) and Aria Leigh (age 10). After his divorce from Shyla, he met Lori Geuke and had been in a long term relationship until the time of his death.

Adam worked many construction jobs including D&D Truss and Iverson Construction. He also did great handyman work and many times would do this work just to help others and never expected to be paid for a job well done. He helped many family members, neighbors and friends and was very talented and took great pride in the work he did.

Adam enjoyed the outdoors and had a love for fishing. He also enjoyed riding his motorcycle, having family and friends over for BBQ's and watching football. As a kid he was involved in baseball, football and bowling. Growing up with three siblings and great childhood friends, he enjoyed life to the fullest. He touched many people throughout his life and had a "mischievous smile" that will not be forgotten. He had a heart of gold and would do anything for anybody. He was very close to his family and enjoyed spending time with his nieces and nephews. His children meant the world to him and he was extremely proud to be "their Dad".

Adam died at 1:04 am on Saturday, October 26, 2013 at Rapid City Regional Hospital after being air lifted by helicopter following a serious motorcycle accident at the mouth of Boulder Canyon early Friday evening.

He is survived by his children, Teagan Marae Engel and Aria Leigh Engel; sister, Chris (Mike) Maltaverne and daughter, Emily; brother, Paul Engel and daughter, Allison; sister, Amy (Preston Reece) Engel and children, Austin, Brianna, Amara, Dion and Roman; grandma, Charlotte Hehn; sister, Missy (Adam) Avery and daughter Sophie, step-mom, Pam Engel; significant other, Lori Geuke and children, Devon and Dawson; aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul R. Engel, Patricia J. Engel and his grandparents, Harold Hehn, and George and Elsie Engel.

A memorial has been established for his children.

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

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship  
following the Memorial service.  
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



## **"I'm Free"**

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free.  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took his hand when I heard him call.  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow:  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full I've savored much,  
Good times, good friends, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, he set me free.

**Author: Unknown**

*In Loving Memory Of*

## ***Adam James Engel***

### ***Born***

March 10, 1975  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Died***

October 26, 2013  
Rapid City, South Dakota

### ***Memorial Service***

Saturday, November 2, 2013, at 2:00pm  
Sturgis Wesleyan Church

### ***Officiating***

Pastor Duane Grenz

### ***Accompanist***

Shannah Grenz-Williams

### ***Honorary Pallbearers***

Paul Engel	Austin Engel	Mike Maltaverne
Preston Reece	Dion Reece	Roman Reece
Daniel Hehn		Dawson Geuke