

Ronald Eugene Stuen

Ron was born February 9, 1949, in Yankton, SD, to Chester and Marie (Stensaas) Stuen. He lived on a farm until the age of 4 when he moved with his family to Sturgis, SD. He was very active in school sports and graduated from Sturgis Brown High School in 1967. He attended Black Hills State University in Spearfish, SD. He was drafted into the United States Army and served in Vietnam from 1970-1971. He graduated from University of Colorado

in Boulder, CO, in 1978 with a degree in Recreation Administration.

He met Pat Madsen in Boulder, CO, in 1977 and they married the next year. They moved to Rapid City, SD, in 1983. They started many businesses together over the years including Dakota Tree and Garden, Country Corner and Commercial Tree Care where he worked until his death. They truly cherished working together and spending time with each other.

He was a faithful member of Dove Christian Center. He enjoyed fishing, camping, and playing cards and most importantly, he loved spending time with his friends and family and investing into his grandchildren. He will be dearly missed by all.

Ron Stuen, 64, died Friday, May 24, 2013, in Spearfish, SD of natural causes.

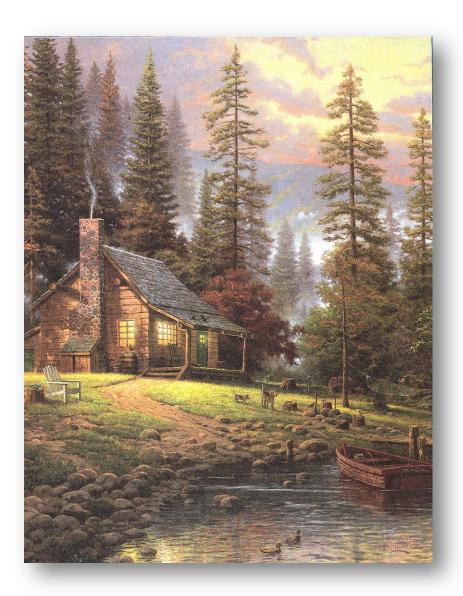
He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Pat Stuen of Black Hawk, SD; daughter, Jamie Downey of Huntington Beach, CA; sons, Tim (Tina) Stuen, Jason (Jayme) Stuen, and Dave (Tara) Stuen, all of Rapid City, SD; and daughter, Lori (Nick) Kurvink of Sioux Falls, SD; seven

grandchildren; his mother, Marie Stuen of Sturgis, SD; sisters, Ila Kenoyer of Rapid City, SD, and Carolyn Park of Sioux Falls, SD. He was preceded in death by his father Chester Stuen.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be directed to the Ron Stuen Memorial fund.

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





John 14:27
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you
I do not give to you as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts be troubled
and do not be afraid.



Finally Home

No need to grieve for now I am free
The Lord I served I now will see
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I haven't lost, but gained it all

Staying here to laugh, work or play
Isn't worth waiting another day
I've fought the fight, I've ran the race
Now I behold Him face to face

I never desired to leave a void, But leave you full of peace and joy Our friendships shared and relationships made These to me will never fade

No reason to be burdened with excessive sorrow
For to me our meeting will be as tomorrow
My life has been filled with an abundance of love
To serve my family and neighbors, a mandate from above

Our time here is so quick and brief
Don't use any for wasted grief
Look to Jesus, our Savior and King,
He's the meaning of life, and the answer for everything

In Loving Memory Of

Ronald "Ron" Eugene Stuen

Born

February 9, 1949 Yankton, South Dakota *Died*May 24, 2013
Spearfish, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Thursday, May 30, 2013, at 12:30 p.m. Dove Christian Center Rapid City, South Dakota

Officiating

Pastors Gary Johnson and Tim Stuen

Special Music

"10,000 Reasons"
"I Love You, Lord"
"I Can Only Imagine"

Pallbearers

Allen Biesman ~ Dan Kessler ~ Jared Kenoyer Brian Edwards ~ Dexter Park ~ Jacob Park

Military Honors

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota

John 15:5

I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.