Daniel Rootes passed away peacefully with his wife, daughter and son-in-law by his side on February 24th, 2020 in Billings MT.

Dan was born on June 13th, 1950 in Hibbing MN. He grew up in Kitzville and later attended high school in Hibbing, where he excelled in academics and music. It was here that he met his future wife, Sue. Sue and Dan were united in marriage on February 7th, 1970. Shortly after he joined the Army. During his enlistment he proudly served in Vietnam. Upon returning stateside, he worked as a mechanic for J&L Steel on the Iron Range and as an insurance salesman for Mutual of Omaha in Grand Rapids. Spurred by a desire for change, he left his beloved Minnesota and moved to Sidney MT where he began a long career at Holly Sugar. He worked hard, eventually moving up to Maintenance Supervisor. In 1999, Dan medically retired following a stroke.

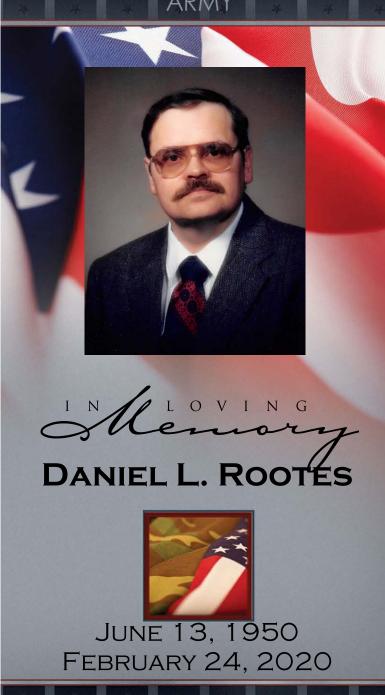


Dan and Sue moved to Glyndon MN, where they resided for several years before he moved into the Veterans Home in Glendive. Later he moved to the Veterans Home in Miles City, where he resided at the time of his passing.

Dan enjoyed fishing, playing guitar and singing with Sarah, bird hunting on the backroads of Minnesota, camping with the family, woodworking, listening to the Twins, watching the Vikings, handing out candy, calling Bingo, volunteering at the soup kitchen, and advocating for fellow veterans. His greatest joy came from time spent with his wife, children, and grandchildren.

Dan was proceeded in death by his parents Ardelle and Luther Rootes, and siblings Carol and Kim. He is survived by his wife, Sue Rootes of Fargo ND, children Dan (Kristal) Rootes of Elko New Market MN, Jennifer (Dan) Rootes of Fargo ND, Jason (Michelle) Rootes of Wasilla AK, Sarah (Nick) Hegel of Beach ND, and grandchildren Victoria, Alexandria, Patrick, Lindsay, Cash, Linken, Lukas, and Lizzie.





# He Was Just A Man

A Husband, A Father A Fisherman, A Hunter He Was Just A Man One Of Those Chosen Few He Was Just A Man He Spoke His Mind, It Wasn't Always My Mind He went His Way, It Wasn't Always My Way He Was Just A Man To Move In Our Midst for His Time Then On To The Next Time Yet Still With Us In Our Memories And His Beloved Children He Was Just A Man We Are Stronger And Better For Having Known Him And We Are Deprived By His Absence He Was Just A Man Would That They Say As Much Of Me When I Pass "He Was Just A Man"

# **DANIEL ROOTES**

BORN TO LUTHER & ARDELLE ROOTES
JUNE 13, 1950~HIBBING, MINNESOTA

#### **PASSED AWAY**

FEBRUARY 24, 2020~BILLINGS, MONTANA

#### SERVICES

1 1:00AM FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2020 PELLA LUTHERAN CHURCH SIDNEY, MONTANA

#### **OFFICIATING**

**PASTOR AUDREY RYDBOM** 

#### Music

DORIS NORBY RUTHANN HILLESLAND

# CASKETBEARERS

NICK HEGEL ALEX KNOWS HIS GUN LANE KNOWS HIS GUN

JASON ROOTES
VICTORIA ROOTES
LINKEN HEGEL

### HONORARY CASKETBEARERS

ALL OF DANIEL'S FAMILY & FRIENDS
THE MINNESOTA VIKINGS
"SO THEY CAN LET HIM DOWN
ONE LAST TIME"

#### **USHERS**

LUKUS HEGEL

DAN KREAGER

## **MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS**

United States Army Honor Guard V.F.W. Post #4099~Sidney, Montana

LUNCHEON WILL BE SERVED AT THE CHURCH FOLLOWING THE SERVICE







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