



In Loving Memory Kenneth "Kenny" Johnson

Born to Alfred & Marie (Mandal) Johnson
September 11, 1937 ~ Watford City, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father
August 31, 2021 ~ Williston, North Dakota

His Funeral Service
Saturday, September 11, 2021 at 11:00 am
Light Of Christ Lutheran Church
Williston, North Dakota

Officiating
Pastor Kevin Beard

Scripture
2 Corinthians 4: 16-18
John 6: 37-40
Matthew 11: 28-30

Special Music
"Down The Road" ~ Written By Eldon Johnson
"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"
"Homesick"
"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

Vocalist Amy Christl-Johnson
Vocalist & Musician Eldon Johnson

Pallbearers
Jacob Christl Zak Wells
Jackson Patch Isaac Johnson
Randy Patch Brian Beard Barry Haugen

Honorary Pallbearers
Clara Johnson Kailee Patch
Mackenzie Storbakken
Kenny's Family & Friends

Final Resting Place
Hillside Memory Gardens
Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By
Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Williston, ND



In Loving
M E M O R Y

Kenneth E. Johnson
September 11, 1937 - August 31, 2021

God, sees when the
 footsteps all falter
When the pathway has grown too steep,
 Then He touches the weary eyelids
 And gives His

Dear Ones
 sleep.



Kenneth "Kenny" Eugene Johnson was born on September 11, 1937, in Watford City, ND. He passed away peacefully on August 31, 2021, at Bethel Lutheran Home in Williston, ND.

Kenny was born to Alfred and Marie (Mandal) Johnson in Watford City. He was raised on the family farm and educated at the Arnegard School, graduating in 1956. He and his 13 brothers and sisters worked on the family farm from a young age as well as helping neighbors with their crops.

Kenny enlisted in the Army in July 1963 in California. He spent most of his time in the military overseas in Germany which he loved. He was rated as a sharp shooter with an M-14, and was a driver and a mechanic. He spent a lot of time driving his superiors around which he really enjoyed. He was honorably discharged in November 1966.

Kenny worked at Dube's Transfer hauling furniture all over the country, and also worked at Getter Trucking. He spent the next 30 plus years working for the Lippert family at GL Trucking & Rental as the general manager and dispatcher. It was well known that Kenny knew where every location was, and knew every highway, gravel road or cattle trail within a hundred miles in any direction. If one of his drivers got lost, he could give them directions to get where they were going.

Kenny met Coleen Lund in 1964 at the State Line Club during a rodeo. They loved to go out dancing and were often complimented by other couples at how good they were together. They were united in marriage on May 21, 1966 at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Newtown, ND. From this union, two children were born: Shelli and Eldon. They bought their first home in 1970 which was located on 13th Avenue West in Williston. In 1977 they purchased their dream property and have lived there happily ever since. Through the years they planted huge gardens which produced lots of vegetables including pumpkins, which Coleen and the kids would sell by the side of the road.

When he wasn't working, he enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping, in his early years. What he came to enjoy most was taking care of their huge yard, which became a favorite pastime for both of them. Kenny was also very handy and could build or fix just about anything. When many people are asked what comes to mind when they think of Kenny, it is his infectious, boyish laugh and quick-to-smile demeanor that they remember. He always had words of encouragement, when they were needed, as well as a swift kick in the rear end, also when needed.

In 1988, Kenny and Coleen's first grandchild, Zak, was born. It was then that he found his new calling in life: being a grandpa! In all, Kenny and Coleen had 7 grandchildren: Zak, Kenzie, Jacob, Jackson, Kailee, Isaac and Clara. When they were little Kenny liked to call them his "hired man" or "hired hand" and took them on adventure rides in his beloved Chevy pickup. He also loved to feed them their bottles when they were babies, and even tried changing a few diapers, which could be a difficult, and sometimes messy, endeavor for him. At least he tried!

Kenny was blessed to have a very large and loving family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Marie Johnson; step-father, William Albrightson; mother and father-in-law, Martin and Clara Lund; brothers, Arnold Johnson, Alden Johnson, Phillip Johnson, Einar (Rick) Johnson, Ronald Johnson, Billy Albrightson, and Keith Albrightson; sisters, Sonja Haugen, Delores Johnson and Betty Grove.

He is survived by his wife, Coleen; daughter, Shelli (Dwight) Patch, all of Williston; son, Eldon (Amy) Johnson of Oxbow, ND; sister, Mary (Pat) Falcon of SD; brothers, Mervin (Claudette) Johnson of SD, and Steven (Dustee) Albrightson of Williston; sister-in-law, Coreen (Richard) Beard of Williston; brothers-in-law, Donny Lund of Watford City, ND; Noral Haugen of Arnegard, ND; seven grandchildren, many nieces and nephews.