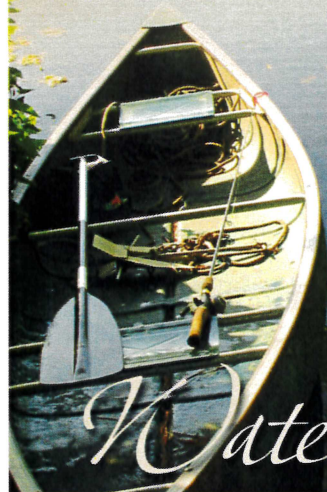




GOD looked around the garden,
 And found an empty space.
 He looked down upon the earth,
 And saw your tired face. He put
His arms around you
 And lifted you to rest.
 God's garden must be beautiful
 For He only takes the **BEST**.
 He knew that you were weary,
 and He knew that you were in pain.
 He knew that you would never
 be well on earth again.
 He saw the roads were getting rough,
 and the hills were hard to climb.
 So He closed your weary eyelids,
Peace be Shine.

Your gentle touch,
 Your tender care.

A smile as
Bright as sunshine
 A heart of no compare.
 A spirit that will
Flow forever,
 In the memories
 WE SHARE.



Water's Edge

In Loving Memory
 CELEBRATING A LIFE

Gary Grindberg

Date & Place of Birth

November 15, 1937 ~ Minot, North Dakota

Returned to His Heavenly Father

June 26, 2022 ~ Williston, North Dakota

Funeral Service

Friday, July 1, 2022 at 2:00 pm
 Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Chapel
 Williston, North Dakota

Officiating

Father Jared Johnson

Readers

Eric Johnson Katie Vinger

Music

"Amazing Grace" ~ Alan Jackson
 "Go Rest High On That Mountain" ~ Vince Gill
 "How Great Thou Art" ~ Alan Jackson

Pallbearers

Gary's Grandchildren
 Chris Slein Bobby Slein Katie Vinger
 Jared Johnson Eric Johnson Evan Johnson
 Nick Jeffrey Lindsay Kirkendoll

Honorary Pallbearers

All of Gary's Great & Great-Great Grandchildren

Military Honors

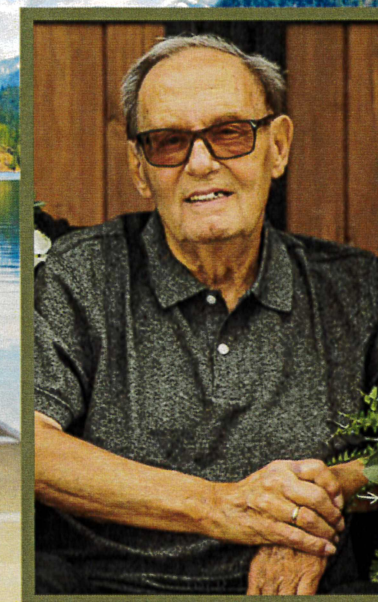
Army Honor Guard

Final Resting Place

Riverview Cemetery ~ Williston, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home ~ Williston, ND



In Loving Memory Of
Gerard Lloyd Grindberg

"Gary"

November 15, 1937 - June 26, 2022



Gerard (Gary) Lloyd Karlsbroten was born on November 15, 1937 to Marguerite (Anderson) and Lloyd Karlsbroten. When Gary was 12, he and his older brother, Paul, were adopted by Lawrence Grindberg, whom their mother married in 1947. Gary was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith.

His early childhood years were spent on the family farm SW of Douglas, ND. He attended grade school in Minot, ND; junior high in Williston, ND, and his high school years in Dickinson, ND - graduating from Dickinson Central High School in 1955. Gary graduated from North Dakota State Teachers College in Dickinson in 1960 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Secondary Education.

While in high school, Gary met a beautiful Bohemian girl named Eileen Barta. After dating for several years, they were



married at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dickinson on July 5, 1958. They were blessed with 4 wonderful children. Gary and Eileen celebrated 45 beautiful years of marriage until Eileen's passing in 2003.

In 1954, Gary enlisted in the North Dakota Army



National Guard and proudly served our country for nine years until he was honorably discharged at rank of Sergeant E-5.

Gary and Eileen moved their young family to Max, ND in 1960, where he began his high school teaching career. In 1964, the family made their move to Columbus, ND, where Gary continued his passion for teaching high school. He thoroughly loved teaching and all of the students that were entrusted to him.

In 1970, a major career change occurred and Gary became a Special Agent with Pioneer Mutual Life Insurance Company. He remained in that profession until 1977. He then accepted the position of Manager of the Williams Rural Water Association where he was employed for 30 years until his retirement. He met many lifelong friends along the way. In 2011, dad



suffered a life-altering stroke which limited his mobility. He later moved to Bullhead City, AZ and resided there until 2018. He loved the warmth and sunshine, and enjoyed watching (and making tiny meatballs for) the many roadrunners that visited him. That spring, dad made his final move and returned to Williston, where he resided and proudly lived on his own until his passing.

Dad was a highly intelligent man, full of wit and charm. He always had a warm smile and a friendly handshake for everyone he met. Dad was a history buff, always full of information and stories. His grandchildren were always amazed at his sharp memory and his keen knowledge about absolutely everything. During holidays, everyone always wanted to be on "Gramps" Trivia team because they knew their team was sure to win. He had a passion for the outdoors, spending much time hunting, fishing, and taking care of his yard. He and Eileen loved traveling, visiting many interesting places throughout the country and enjoyed visiting friends and family along the way.

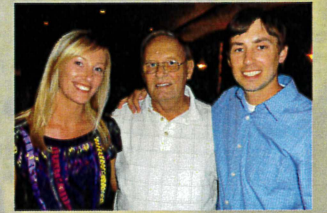


Dad was also a huge Nascar fan, and attended many races over the years.

Gary's family was very dear to him. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He took great pride in all of us and was always involved in our lives and cherished our time together.

Dad looked forward to family gatherings, especially backyard barbecues, always grilling more steaks than anyone could eat. He was kind and generous to everyone and always willing to lend a helping hand.

Dad will forever be remembered for his remarkable memory, his big, genuine smile, and his fun-loving personality. His enthusiasm and love for life was evident to everyone who was blessed to know him. He will be missed dearly and will forever have a special place in our hearts, thoughts, and memories.



Gary is survived by his 3 daughters, Jackie Slein of Williston, Paula (Peter) Jeffrey of Deadwood, SD, and Cheryl (Brian) Johnson of Williston; 8 grandchildren, Chris (Ariane) Slein of McGregor ND, Bobby Slein of Williston, ND, Katie (CJ) Vinger of Phoenix AZ, Nick (Katie) Jeffrey of Seattle WA, Lindsay (Dallas) Kirkendoll of Jacksonville, FL; Father Jared Johnson of Bismarck ND, Eric Johnson of Williston, ND and Evan (Hannah) Johnson of Williston, ND; 13 great-grandchildren, Tristen (Delaney) Slein, Dylan Slein, Keatan Slein, Ryanne Slein, Jackson Slein, Liam Vinger, Brecken Vinger, Brinley Vinger, Austin Moore, Malia Kirkendoll, Tanner Jeffrey, Maggie Jeffrey, and Adelaide Johnson. Gary is also survived by 2 great-great granddaughters, Paizley and Blaire Slein.



Gary is preceded in death by his wife, Eileen; his son, Russell; his grandson, Ryan Slein; his son-in-law, Gilbert Slein; his parents, Lloyd Karlsbroten, Lawrence and Marguerite Grindberg; and his only sibling, Paul Grindberg.

