

*In Loving Memory*  
CELEBRATING A LIFE

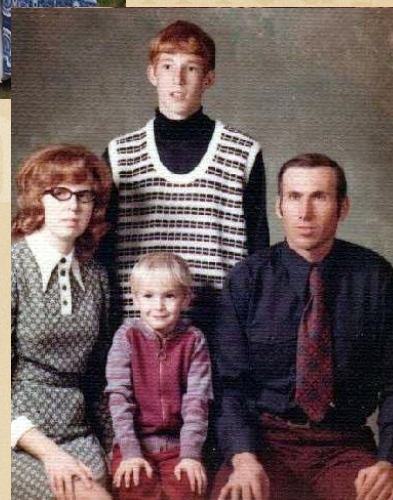
*Thank you.....*

for your words of **SYMPATHY**  
your voice of **CONCERN**  
your gesture of **CARING**  
and the **LOVE**  
you offer.

Don's life will be cherished by his children: Angie (Keith) Listul, Clarkfield, MN, Tracy (Trent) Fischer, Baltic, SD, Penny (Steve Smith) Christiansen, Port St. Lucie, FL and Taylor Christiansen, Overland Park, KS; grandchildren: Dylan and Drew Lesselyoung, Blaine, Blake, Brody, and Brady Thomas, Tru and Myah Smith, and Aaliyah Williams; sisters: Lauralee (Rodger) Lauritzen, Faulkton, Patty (Ron) Kadlec, Ipswich, Mary (John) Weiss, Overland Park, KS, and Amelia (Gary) Anderson, Paola, KS; step-brothers: Randy (Sherry) Carlson, Faulkton and Mike (Lori) Carlson, Rapid City; sister-in-law, Janell Christiansen, Lennox; and his many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters: Karen (Louie) Schraeder and Pam (Loren) Seidschlaw; and one brother, Richard Christiansen.

Arrangements are Entrusted to Luce Funeral Home  
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The *Love*  
of a **Father**  
is one of  
nature's  
*Greatest*  
*Masterpieces.*



*In Loving Memory Of*  
*Donald D. Christiansen*  
*May 26, 1958 - December 15, 2018*





*Dad,*  
Your Guiding Hand  
on my Shoulder  
will Remain with me  
**FOREVER**

### *Goodbye Is Not Forever*

*When you lived your life for others  
and you loved without condition*

*When you made so many laugh  
and your smile won't be forgotten*

*When you left behind an empty place  
that no one else can fill*

*When the friendships that you shared  
long to be renewed*

*When you built your life on hope  
and fulfilled it every day*

*The footprints that you left behind  
will bring us face to face*

*So, goodbye is not forever,  
You're only steps away.*

**In Loving Memory Of**

*Donald D. Christiansen*

**May 26, 1958 ~ December 15, 2018**

**FUNERAL SERVICE:**

11:00 a.m., Saturday, December 29, 2018

United Church of Faulkton  
Faulkton, South Dakota

**MINISTER:** Pastor Jon Damaska

**SCRIPTURE:** John 11:17-27

Nathan Kadlec

**URN BEARER:** Monte Schraeder

**HONORARY URN BEARERS:** Grandchildren

Dylan and Drew Lesselyoung,  
Blaine, Blake, Brody, and Brady Thomas,  
Tru and Myah Smith, and Aaliyah Williams

**USHERS:** Jerry Tisher and Bob Hadrick

**ORGANIST:** Marlene Hammond

**VOCALIST:** Chris Hammond

*"Old Rugged Cross"*

**MUSICAL SELECTIONS:**

*"I Can Only Imagine" "Amazing Grace"*

**INURNMENT:**

Faulkton Cemetery ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

Don Christiansen, 60, of Faulkton, passed away Saturday, December 15, 2018 at Luther Haven Nursing Home in Montevideo, MN surrounded by loved ones.

Donald D. Christiansen was born May 26, 1958 in Faulkton, SD to Amile and Dora (Richardson) Christiansen. He attended grade school in Faulkton until the death of his parents. Don then went to live with his sister, Karen (Louie) Schraeder, and their family in Rockham. He attended Redfield High School, graduating in 1976. He went on to receive his bachelor's degree from SDSU in Brookings, majoring in Ag Business and Commercial Economics.

Don was united in marriage to Tammie Eidsness. To this union three daughters were born, Angie, Tracy and Penny. He was their supporter, their rock. Always telling them to "get some rest" and "don't get yourself in a twit" when things were hard.

Don had a sense of business throughout the years. He worked for a Case Dealer in Fairfax, MO, and MD Builders Cashway in Redfield, SD before purchasing Faulkton Lumber Co. and Faulkton Ready Mix. He also started Pierre Concrete before moving to Kansas; where he was a sales rep for Novartis Animal Health. While living in Kansas, Don started a construction company which he continued upon his return to South Dakota.

He was joined in marriage to Barb Gudde and added her daughter, Taylor, to his family. Don returned to Faulkton where he met Louise Houghton. They spent the remainder of his life enjoying time together.

Don loved playing whist, or any card game, with his family. He also enjoyed car races, his horses, hunting trips, camping, fishing, cooking up new recipes, and traveling. His travels included: Florida, San Francisco, El Paso, Mexico, New Orleans, Lake of the Woods, Bahamas, Jamaica, Hawaii, Vegas, Saint Martin, Saint Thomas, San Juan, Australia, Alaska, and the Kentucky Derby. Don's greatest joy was seeing his grandchildren and being able to spend time with them; whether it was having them work alongside him, attending their sporting events, or creating new adventure stories.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial donations be sent to the Landscape Garden Center, 7201 S Minnesota Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57108. These funds will be used to plant trees in memory of Don. An account has been set up under Donald D. Christiansen.