

A uniqueness that could only come
from a Creator's **TOUCH**,
A life lived with simplicity of purpose
and unyielding
strength
From moment to moment,
All of life's needs were met with a peace
that surpasses all understanding,
And now to the heavens,
A life rises up like a leaf
Carried by the Wind.

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Remembering
THE LIFE OF
Art Cavenee

March 18, 1942 - April 4, 2017



Art Cavenee, 75, of Wessington, passed away Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at the Good Samaritan Society in Miller.

Art was born March 18, 1942, at home in Nance Township, Beadle County, South Dakota to Lloyd and Mabel (McNeely) Cavenee. He attended kindergarten through 8th grade at Tipton School just down the road from his home. He then started his freshman year at Wessington High School, but decided to forgo high school and went to work for various farmer in the neighborhood.

On May 14, 1959, at the age of 17, he joined the US Navy and was a boiler operator until his honorable discharge on April 4, 1963. While in the Navy he married Linda Spain in Huron, SD and to this union one child was born, Karla Jean. Then in 1973 he married Maxine Peterson and became father to her son Jason Everett and in 1976 Matthew Lloyd was born.

He enjoyed farming and ranching, so during his time in the Navy he was sending money back to buy land so he could pursue his dreams. He farmed and ranched until 1999 and then enjoyed retirement hobbies of fixing up his old tractors and restoring windmills. He liked to visit and drink coffee with the coffee crowds around Wessington and Miller. A highlight was getting together with family at holidays. He also enjoyed going to his grandson's activities.

Art is survived by his son, Matt (Stephanie) Cavenee of Miller; daughter, Karla Hassett of Puyallup, WA; grandchildren: Allison and Amy Hassett of Washington; and Cole and Mark Cavenee of Miller; sisters: Bonnie Runge of Wessington, Sharon (Dave) Vitters of Rapid City, and Nedra (Gordy) Fliehe of Logan, IA; and brother, Wes Cavenee of New Mexico.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters: Joan Colling and Marilyn Meehan; and son, Jason.

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Funeral Service:

10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 8, 2017

First Presbyterian Church

Wessington, South Dakota

Minister:

Rev. Brian Jones

Casketbearers:

Matt Cavenee - Joe Fritzsche

Chris Johnsen - Clint Haigh

Brett Stevens - Jeff Pistulka

Honorary Casketbearers:

All Art's Coffee Buddies

Ushers: Buzz Noyes - Jim Major

Organist: Cleo Kleinsasser

Musical Selections:

"Peace in the Valley"

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

"I Saw the Light"

"The Last Cowboy Song"

Interment:

Black Hills National Cemetery

Sturgis, South Dakota