



Kayo Smith

September 17, 1927 - August 18, 2019

Grave side memorial services for KAYO SMITH, 91, will be held at 10:30am Saturday, September 28, 2019 at the Valley View Cemetery with Pastor Rick Carroll officiating. Military honors will be by the US Navy. Kayo died August 18, 2019 at Goshen Healthcare Community. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to the donor's choice. Arrangements are by the Colyer Funeral Home and condolences may be sent to www.colyerfuneralhome.com.

Kayo was born September 17, 1927 in Curtis, Nebraska the son of F. Norris and Beulah (Maxcy) Smith. At thirteen he became the youngest Eagle Scout in Nebraska. He graduated from the Bayard Nebraska High School in 1945. In July of 1945 he joined the US Navy and later transferred to the Naval Reserves. He married Betty Jean Lyman on August 27, 1950 in Bayard, Nebraska. He graduated from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln with a Bachelors Degree in Chemistry, Zoology and Pre-Med. In 1954 he graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha-College of Medicine with a Doctorate in Medicine. He served a one years internship and a one year residency in California and then did three months in Lahania, Hawaii before returning to Bayard for a year. In 1957 they moved to Torrington, Wyoming where he started with the Torrington Medical Group which later united to become Banner Health. He retired in 2016 and entered the Goshen Healthcare Community in 2017.

Kayo enjoyed ranching (raising Charolais cattle), fishing, backpacking, hunting and sailing. He was a past member of the American Medical Association, was

a member of the Wyoming Medical Association, the Western History Center, the American Legion and the United Methodist Church. He had served on the Torrington City Council and as an assistant Boy Scout Leader.

Kayo is survived by his wife Betty Jean Smith of Torrington, Wyoming; two sons Steven Norris (Marion) Smith of Torrington and Todd Kayo Smith of Ft. Laramie, Wyoming; a daughter Joanne Lora (Richard) Zimmerman of Chandler, Arizona; a sister Maxcy Jean Kopell of Moab, Utah; five grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a grandson.

Previous Events

Memorial services

SEP **28**. 10:30 AM (MT)

Valley View Cemetery
30th Avenue
Torrington, WY 82240

Tribute Wall

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“ *Kayo Smith was a wonderful physician and person. Prayers from our family to his :-)*

charlotte Christovich - December 16, 2019 at 05:42 PM

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“ *To the Smith Family and Relatives,*

After the tears have dried and the goodbyes have been said, all we have to hold onto are the happy memories that we've shared with our loved ones who have passed.

This is what keeps them alive in our hearts and in our minds, and they will continue to live on, through us.

We are praying for you to have peace and strength at this time. You have our deepest sympathies.

Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in our thoughts and prayers.

Many are thankful for the skill and compassion the Dr. Kayo during his many years as a doctor, rancher and neighbor.

Please accept our condolences.

Tom & Kim Zimmerman Family

Tom Zimmerman - September 30, 2019 at 04:12 PM

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“ *Dr. Kayo was a wonderful physician. He will always be remembered as a kind and caring person. Know our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

Fred Reichert and Sarah (Reichert) Stoll

Sarah Stoll - September 27, 2019 at 11:26 PM

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“*Kayo was a wonderful physician and individual who took care of everyone in our family and community growing up in Torrington. He was a great role model and was a big part of my motivation to go into medicine. i remember him making house calls when i was a little kid. He did it all and did it very well. I have several fond memories but I especially remember when I spent one month shadowing him the summer after my first year of medical school. The first surgical case we did was a hemorrhoidectomy at the hospital which of course gives you a different perspective. I also assisted him in clinic, various other surgeries, and deliveries. He had a lot of compassion for his patients. i still have some pictures from my first surgery that are unfortunately in storage or i would have shared them. One of the pictures shows us in our scrubs putting on our gloves. He will be greatly missed.*

*My sincere condolences to the family
Brent Sigler*

Brent sigler - September 27, 2019 at 03:09 PM

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“*Dr. Kayo will always be remembered as truly caring, kind, gentle, knowlegable, man who had wonderful bedside manner. It was as though he was a long time Friend. His beautiful soul was so appreciated. Heaven even more glorified.*

Condolences of love, comfort and prayers are extended to his equally beautiful and caring family.

Blessings to you all.

Karla Ahrens



Karla Beermann-Ahrens - September 25, 2019 at 01:27 PM

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time. It is a pleasure working with one Mr. Smith's grandsons Seamus Smith here in Cheyenne.*

*Staff of
Wyoming of Historic Governors' Mansion
and Quebec 01*

James Fuller - September 24, 2019 at 12:34 PM