



Kenneth Peterson

September 9, 1934 - May 23, 2012

Kenneth Sims Peterson, 78, died Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at Community Hospital in Torrington, Wyoming with his family by his side. Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 30 at the Lingle Community Presbyterian Church with Reverend Curtis Hill and Pastor Brad Eakins co-officiating. Burial with Military Honors will follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Lingle. Memorials may be made to the church or the Lingle Fire Department Rescue. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send their condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com. Kenneth was born September 9, 1934, in Torrington, Wyoming the son of Ira Lee and Inez Doreen (Sims) Peterson. He graduated from Lingle in 1952. On May 28, 1955 he married Carol Carr in Colorado Springs, CO. Kenneth served in the US Army from 1955-1957. Upon returning from the Army, he farmed near Lingle until 1983. He worked for Holly Sugar for 26 campaigns. Kenneth drove school bus for 10 years and in 1983 he started his own construction business, where he worked until his health forced him to retire in 1992. He also delivered Star Route mail in Lingle for several years. During the summers, for 28 years, he coached men and women's softball. He also coached baseball several years and was a 4-H Dairy leader. He was a past member and Fire Chief of the Lingle Fire Department; as well as a past member and past commander of the Lingle American Legion Post 63. He is survived by his wife, of 56 years, Carol; three daughters, Kayle (Bumper) Berry of Torrington, Kerri (John) Rose of Lingle, Roni (Rustin) Bennett of

Torrington; six grandchildren, Capt. Matthew (Karie) Berry of Lingle, Kaci (Travis) Smith of Laramie, WY, Capt. John P. Rose of Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, AL, Lacy (Jay) Holthus of Whitman, NE, Tara (Dusty) Southworth of Lingle, Shawn (and fiancé Jamie) Clark of Torrington; three great grandchildren, Tater Sturdivant of Palmer, AK, Hayden and Mason Smith of Laramie, WY; a step-great granddaughter, Hannah Corbin of CA; two sister, Dixie Bremer of Lingle, Carolyn (Gary) Haeffelin of Torrington; and many nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were his parents; an infant brother and an infant sister; an infant daughter, Jacqueline Rae; a granddaughter, Molly Sturdivant; sister Donna Wunder; and brother-in-laws Harold Wunder and Harry Bremer.

Tribute Wall

ST

“ I am saddened to hear of Mr. Peterson's death. The family is in my thoughts and prayers. Hold on to your wonderful memories.

There is another angel in Heaven now.

Sandy (Senteney) Thompson - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Thoughts and prayers are being sent to the Peterson families. Kenny always played the finger trick on me when I was little. He was a joker!

Kaci and Matt were so lucky they had great Grandpa's!

Love, Marci and family

Marci Yates Dauphinais - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ We were so sorry to learn of Mr. Peterson's passing. We know he will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him. Our deepest sympathy to you and your families. We wish for all of you the comfort of God that passes our understanding.

Rod & Carolyn Clark - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ I extend my deepest sympathies and condolences to Carol and the entire Peterson family. Kenny was always one of my favorites and I found that he shared easily with me. I am saddened that I will be unable to attend his memorial, but I will be there in spirit and my prayers are with your entire family. With Best Wishes,
Keith

Keith Whitney - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ So sorry for your loss. Kenny is now at peace and no longer having trouble breathing. My prayers and thoughts are with you during this time.

Kelea Burns - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. Uncle Kenny will never be forgotten. I looked up to him and will miss him dearly.

Timi Fronapfel - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MØ

“ Ken Peterson was friends with my parents starting way back in 1955. I got to meet him when he came for a visit to Norway in the early 1980s. I was about 18 years old at the time and he invited me to Wyoming!

I went to Lingle in the fall of 1982 to get practical experience on the ranch. I was there about three weeks. We met with all the local famers at 7 a.m. for coffee to discuss the day's work before everyone went back to their own farm. What a fantastic community!

I got to do some summer fallowing and worked with cattle. One time, we were transporting a truckload of calves to Colorado for an auction. There were four of us in the front seat - Ken, Carol, Roni, and me. All of a sudden, one of the tires blew. Ken barely managed to keep the truck on the road. There's even a little piece of me back in Lingle. I did some concrete work for making sidewalks downtown in 1982. As payment for all I did during my stay, I got a pair of cowboy boots, which I still have, a plane ticket back to Billings and some pocket money.

We kept in touch over the years and the distance. Came to our wedding in 1989 in Bozeman, Montana, and we visited Ken and Carol in Lingle in 2000 when our son, Nicholas, was just two months old. He gave me and my family Lingle centennial belt buckles and leather belts.

We last saw Ken in 2009. We caught up on old times and we had a big feed at Ken and Carol's with all the family.

Ken inspired me, and my experiences contributed to my pursuing university degrees in agriculture. He was a very giving person and it has been an honor to know him. He will be missed.

Our condolences to Ken's wonderful family.

Margareth Øverland & family

Ås, Norway

Margareth Øverland - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Peterson family. Ken was one of the best men I have ever known and he will be greatly missed.*

Ken was there for me when I showed my cow in 4-H! Oh, what fond memories!! Rest in Peace Ken!

I know his granddaughter Molly was there to greet him at Heavens gates.

God bless all of you!

Myrna Hargrave - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *My deepest condolences to the Peterson family. Ken was a great man and I have some great memories of him when I stayed over with Roni when I was young. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God's grace and mercy bring you great comfort.*

Diane Kriese DeLozier - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ *So sorry to hear about Kenny but I'm sure he feels better. He was always in such a good humor & had to pick on everyone about something. He loved his family & his work, especially making the little back hoes for the kids. They were great & he make a lot of children happy and appreciate what he had done.*

Love & prayers for you family.

Shirley & family

Shirley Korell - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

Kenny was a great guy and honest, i had a lot of fun with him he worked the old Fairbank's place ... sincerely Dan Fairbanks ..

Dan Fairbanks - July 18, 2018 at 09:08 PM