

Kenneth Buell Redden, 92, passed away suddenly at his home in Edgemont SD on Thursday, March 13, 2025.

Kenneth was born December 5, 1932, in Lindsay, SD, to Everett and Arleta (Mackey) Redden in a small farmhouse of his grandparents. Ken was the eldest of ten children. He attended school at the Kirley School in rural Stanley County, SD, through the 8th grade.

Ken worked for several neighboring farmers from the age of 13 until he entered the Army at the age of 18. He was stationed at Ft. Carson, in Colorado Springs, CO, and then onto Germany where he worked at a mechanic.

Ken married Velva Lorraine Brehe on December 6, 1953, to which three children were born: Gayle, Kathy and Bernie. The family resided in the Pierre, SD, area until July, 1968, when they moved to Brooten, MN and operated a small dairy farm.

Ken relocated to Hill City, SD, in August, 1976, and married Ronda (Allgier) Buchholz on April 30, 1977, to which were born twins, Brian and Theresa (who died at birth), and Chuck.

Ken worked several jobs throughout his life from ranch hand, service station owner, farmer, snowmobile shop owner, weekend police office, truck driver, but his main love was working as a mechanic which he excelled at. Kenneth continued an active life up until the end, tinkering with mechanical jobs for friends and family, and helping put up hay with a dear friend through the summer of 2024.

Ken is survived by his daughter, Kathy (Roger) Eckert of Rockerville, SD, and sons, Bernie (Dianne) Redden of Fairfax, IA, and Chuck Redden of Hill City, SD; brothers and sisters Mildred Clark of Casper WY; Virgil (Geri) Redden of Westchester, OH; Donald Redden of Rapid City; Audrey Smith of Norton, TX; Alice Pierce of Superior, AZ; Betty (Jim) Metcalf of Kamiah, ID; Roger (Dawn) Redden of Faulkton, SD; and Gary Redden of Edgemont, SD., twelve grandchildren and twenty-seven great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Everett and Arleta Redden; brother Lyle Redden; children Gayle Skramstad, twins Brian and Theresa, nephews Lee Metcalf, Kyle Redden, and Robert Redden, and niece Dawn Pierce.

**Arrangements have been placed in the care of
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home
Hot Springs, South Dakota**

In Loving Memory

Kenneth Buell Redden

December 5, 1932 – March 13, 2025



*If Tomorrow Starts
Without Me*

*When tomorrow starts
without me,
and I'm not there to see,
If the sun should rise and
find your eyes
All filled with tears for
me,*

*I wish so much you
wouldn't cry,
The way you did today,
While thinking of the many things,
We didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me,
As much as I love you,
And each time that you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too.*

*So when tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here, in your heart.*



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December 5, 1932
Lindsay, South Dakota

March 13, 2025
Edgemont, South Dakota

MEMORIAL SERVICES
1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 15, 2025
United Church
Edgemont, South Dakota

OFFICIANT
Rev. Ron Walker

PIANIST
Karen Kruse

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Roger Eckert, Bernie Redden, Charles Redden,
Travis Eckert, Brett Eckert, Tom Simons

LUNCHEON
United Church Fellowship Hall

MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS
United States Army
Sturgis Veterans Honor Guard

COMMITAL SERVICES
10:00 a.m., Friday, May 16, 2025
Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota